



# MA Series

## Dock Leveler

### Owner's/User's Manual



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## Recognize Safety Information

### Safety - Alert Symbol



The Safety-Alert Symbol identifies important safety messages on equipment, safety signs, in manuals, or elsewhere. When you see this symbol, be alert to the possibility of personal injury or death. Follow the instructions in the safety message.

### **DANGER**

The use of the word DANGER signifies the presence of an extreme hazard or unsafe practice which will most likely result in severe injury or death.

### **WARNING**

The use of the word WARNING signifies the presence of a serious hazard or unsafe practice which may result in serious injury or death.

### **CAUTION**

The use of the word CAUTION signifies possible hazard or unsafe practice which could result in personal injury.

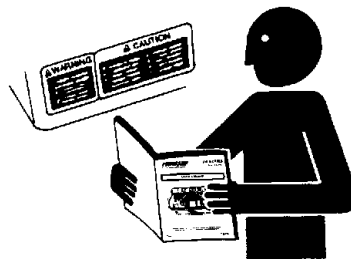
### **NOTICE**

The use of the word NOTICE is to draw attention to a procedure that needs to be followed to prevent machine damage.

### **SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

Indicates a type of safety sign, or separate panel on a safety sign, where safety-related instructions or procedures as described.

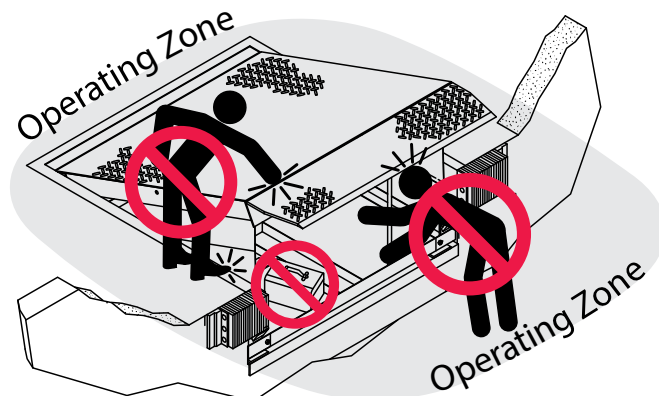
## General Operational Safety Precautions



Read and understand the Owner's/User's manual and become thoroughly familiar with the equipment and its controls before operating the dock leveler.

Never operate a dock leveler while a safety device or guard is removed or disconnected.

Never remove DANGER, WARNING, or CAUTION signs or Decal's on the equipment unless replacing them.



Do not start the equipment until all unauthorized personnel in the area have been warned and have moved outside the operating zone.

Remove any tools or foreign objects from the operating zone before starting.

Keep the operating zone free of obstacles that could cause a person to trip or fall.

# SAFETY

## Operational Safety Precautions



Learn the safe way to operate this equipment. Read and understand the manufacturer's instructions. If you have any questions, ask your supervisor.

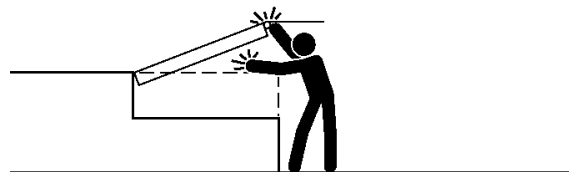
### **DANGER**



Stay clear of dock leveling device when transport vehicle is entering or leaving area.

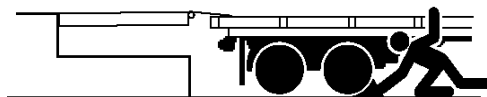


Do not move or use the dock leveling device if anyone is under or in front of it.



Keep hands and feet clear of pinch points. Avoid putting any part of your body near moving parts.

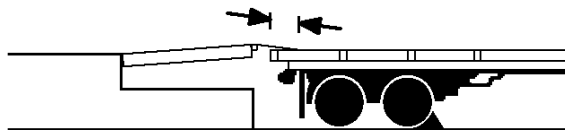
### **WARNING**



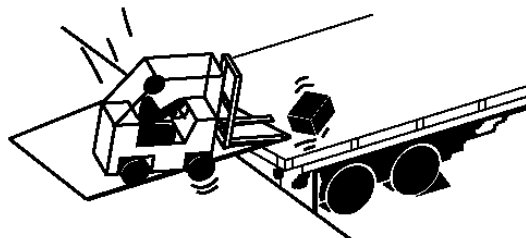
Chock/restrain all transport vehicles. Never remove the wheel chocks until loading or unloading is finished and transport driver has been given permission to drive away.



Do not use a broken or damaged dock leveling device. Make sure proper service and maintenance procedures have been performed before using.

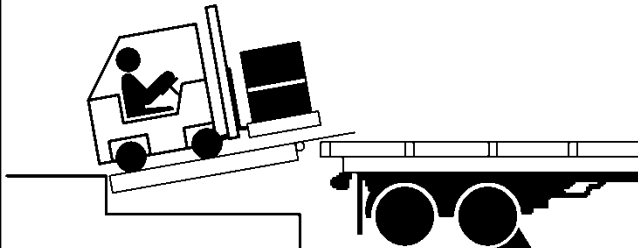


Make sure lip overlaps onto transport vehicle bed at least 4 in. (102 mm).

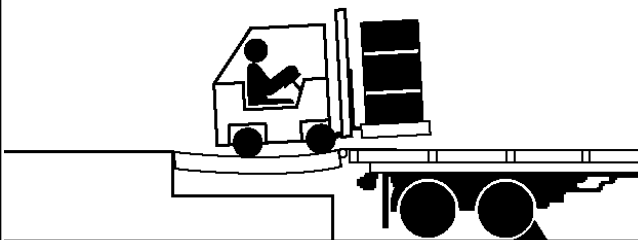


Keep a safe distance from both side edges.

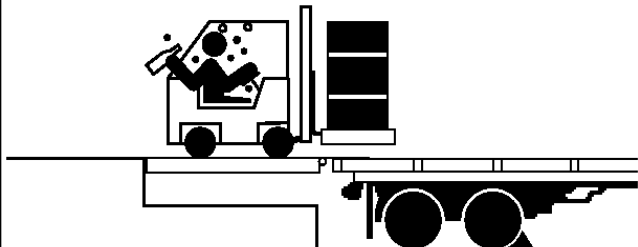
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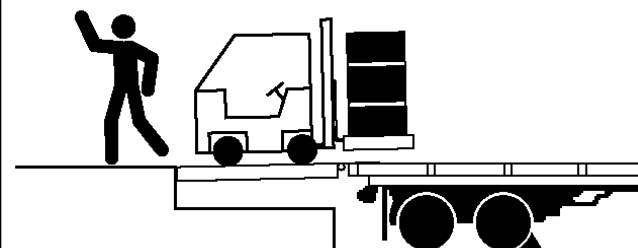
Do not use dock leveling device if transport vehicle is too high or too low.



Do not overload the dock leveling device.



Do not operate any equipment while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

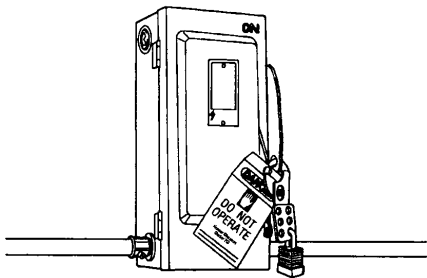


Do not leave equipment or material unattended on dock leveling device.

# SAFETY

## Maintenance Safety Precautions

### **DANGER**



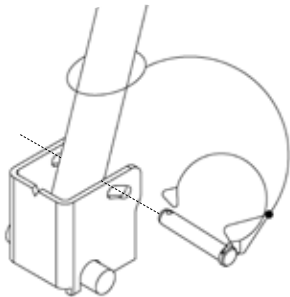
Hydraulic and electrical power must be OFF when servicing the equipment. For maximum protection, use an OSHA approved locking device to lock out all power sources. Only the person servicing the equipment should have the key to unlock the device.

### **CAUTION**



Always post safety warnings and barricade the work area at dock level and ground level to prevent unauthorized use of the unit before maintenance is complete.

### **WARNING**



A maintenance prop permanently attached and hinged to the unit with means for lock out/tag out requirements (per OSHA 1910.147) is included with each pit style dock leveler. In addition, it is recommended and good safety practice to use an additional means to support the dock platform and lip anytime when physically working in front of or under the dock leveler. This additional means may include, but not limited to a boom truck, fork truck, stabilizing bar or equivalent.

### **WARNING**

ALWAYS disconnect electrical power source and ground wire before welding on dock leveler.

DO NOT ground welding equipment to any hydraulic or electrical components of the dock leveler. Always ground to the dock leveler frame.

Failure to follow these instructions may result in damage to dock leveler and/or serious personal injury or death.

### **WARNING**

DO NOT grind or weld if hydraulic fluid or other flammable liquid is present on the surface to be ground or welded

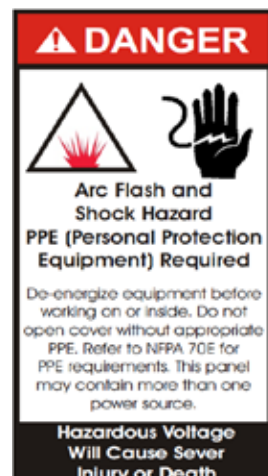
DO NOT grind or weld if uncontained hydraulic fluid or other flammable liquid is present. Stray sparks can ignite spills or leaks near the work area. Always clean up the oil leaks and spills before proceeding with grinding or welding.

Always keep a fire extinguisher of the proper type nearby when grinding or welding.

Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious personal injury or death.

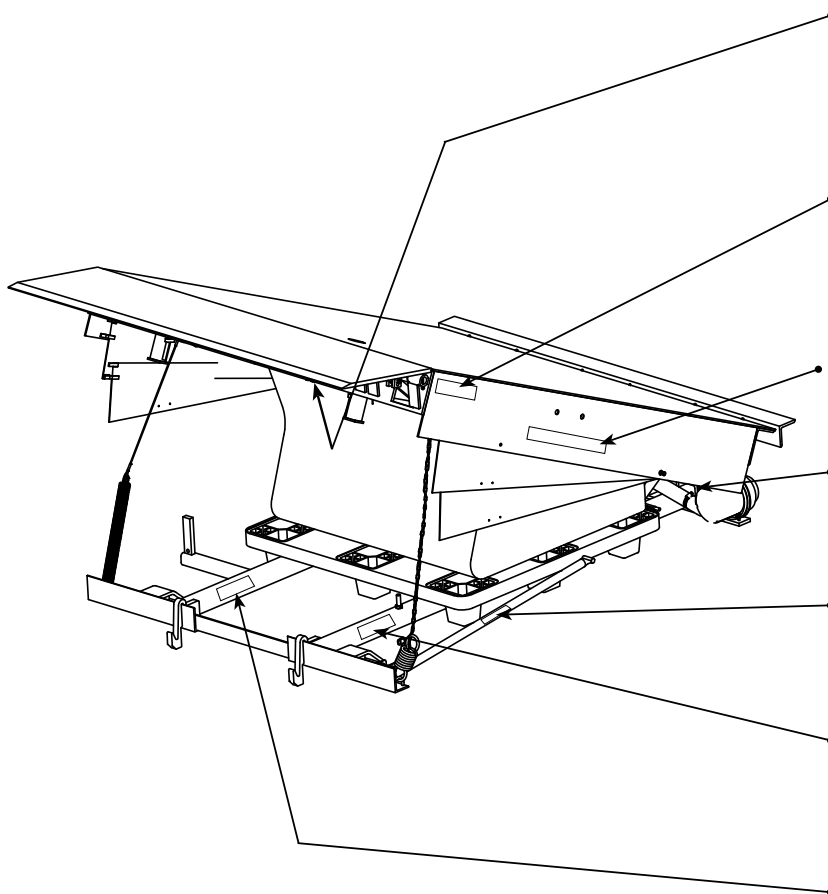
### **WARNING**

ALWAYS stand clear of dock leveler lip when working in front of the dock leveler. Failure to do this may result in serious personal injury or death.



## Safety Decals

Every 90 days (quarterly) inspect all safety labels and tags to ensure they are on the dock leveler and are easily legible. If any are missing or require replacement, please call 1-800-643-5424 for replacements.



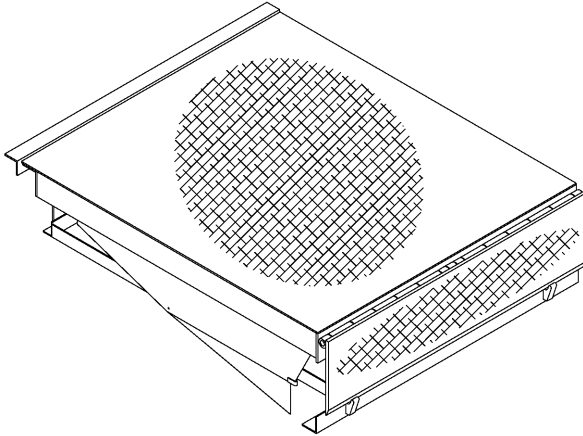
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# OWNER'S/USER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

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1. The owner/ user should recognize the inherent dangers of the interface between the loading dock and the transportation vehicle. The owner/ user should, therefore, train and instruct all operators in the safe operation and use of the loading dock equipment in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations and industry standards. Effective operator training should also focus on the owner's/user's company policies and operating conditions. Maintaining, updating and re training all operators on safe working habits and operation of the equipment, regardless of previous experience, should be done on a regular basis and should include an understanding and familiarity with all functions of the equipment. Owner's/user's shall actively maintain, update and retrain all operators on safe working habits and operations of the equipment.
2. The manufacturer shall provide to the initial purchaser all necessary information regarding Safety Information, Operation, Installation and Safety Precautions, Recommended Initial and Periodic Inspections Procedures, Planned Maintenance Schedule, Product Specifications, Troubleshooting Guide, Parts Break Down, Warranty Information, and Manufacturers Contact Information, as well as tables to identify the grade(slope) for all variations of length or configuration of the dock leveling device and information identifying the maximum uncontrolled drop encountered when sudden removal of support while in the working range of the equipment.
3. It is recommended that when the transportation vehicle is positioned correctly in the dock opening and in contact with both bumpers, there shall be a minimum of 4.00 inches (100mm) overlap of the leveling device and the transportation vehicle at all times during the loading and unloading process.
4. The Owner/User must review all name plates, placards, decals, instructions and posted warnings and place the same in view of the operator or maintenance personnel for whom such warnings are intended for. Contact manufacturer for any replacements.
5. Manufacturer's recommended periodic maintenance and inspection procedures in effect at the date of shipment shall be followed at all times. Written documentation of maintenance, replacement parts or damage should be retained. In the event of damage notification to the manufacturer is required.
6. Loading dock equipment that has been structurally damaged or has experienced a sudden loss of main support while under load (such as what might occur when a transport vehicle pulls out from under the leveling device) shall be removed from service, inspected by a manufacturer's authorized representative, and repaired or replaced as needed before being placed back in service.
7. Any modifications or alterations of loading dock equipment shall only be done with prior written approval from the manufacturer and the same shall be at least as safe as the original equipment was prior to the modification and shall also satisfy all safety requirements of the manufacturer for the particular application of the leveling device.
8. When industrial moving devices are being used in the loading or unloading of product from the transportation vehicle, this vehicle shall have the brakes and wheel chocks applied appropriately or all other positive restraining device shall be fully utilized. It is recommended that transport vehicles with air-ride suspension systems shall have its air exhausted prior to performing loading and unloading operation to minimize transport vehicle bed drop.
9. Loading dock safety equipment should never be used outside of its intended use, vertical working range, or capacity. Please consult the manufacturer if you have any questions as to the use, vertical working range or capacity of the equipment. Only properly trained and authorized personnel should operate the equipment.
10. When selecting loading dock safety equipment, it is important to consider not only present requirements but also future plans and any possible adverse conditions, environmental factors or usage.





Congratulations on your choice of a McGuire dock leveler. This manual covers the Air Bag, MA model air powered dock leveler.

Designed by McGuire to be a marvel of simplicity and efficiency, your dock leveler, when properly installed, will provide many years of trouble-free performance with an absolute minimum of maintenance. Its revolutionary air bag system efficiently controls and operates every function. To obtain maximum performance and longest possible use, a simple program of preventive maintenance is recommended.



The MA dock leveler comes equipped with an electrical control panel, which allows push button operation of the dock leveler functions. Each MA dock leveler unit and control panel has been factory prewired and tested to ensure satisfactory operation.

To illustrate which connections are to be made in the field at installation, electrical drawings are included with each order or by contacting Technical Services.

Once again, thank you and congratulations on your purchase of the dock leveler.

## Dock Leveler Stock Specifications

MA-Series dock levelers are available in the following sizes, weight capacities, and options:

### **Width: MA**

6 ft (1828.8 mm)  
6-1/2 ft (1981.2 mm)  
7 ft (2133.6 mm)

### **Length**

6 ft (1828.8 mm)  
8 ft (2438 mm)  
10 ft (3048 mm)

### **Capacity (CIR\*)**

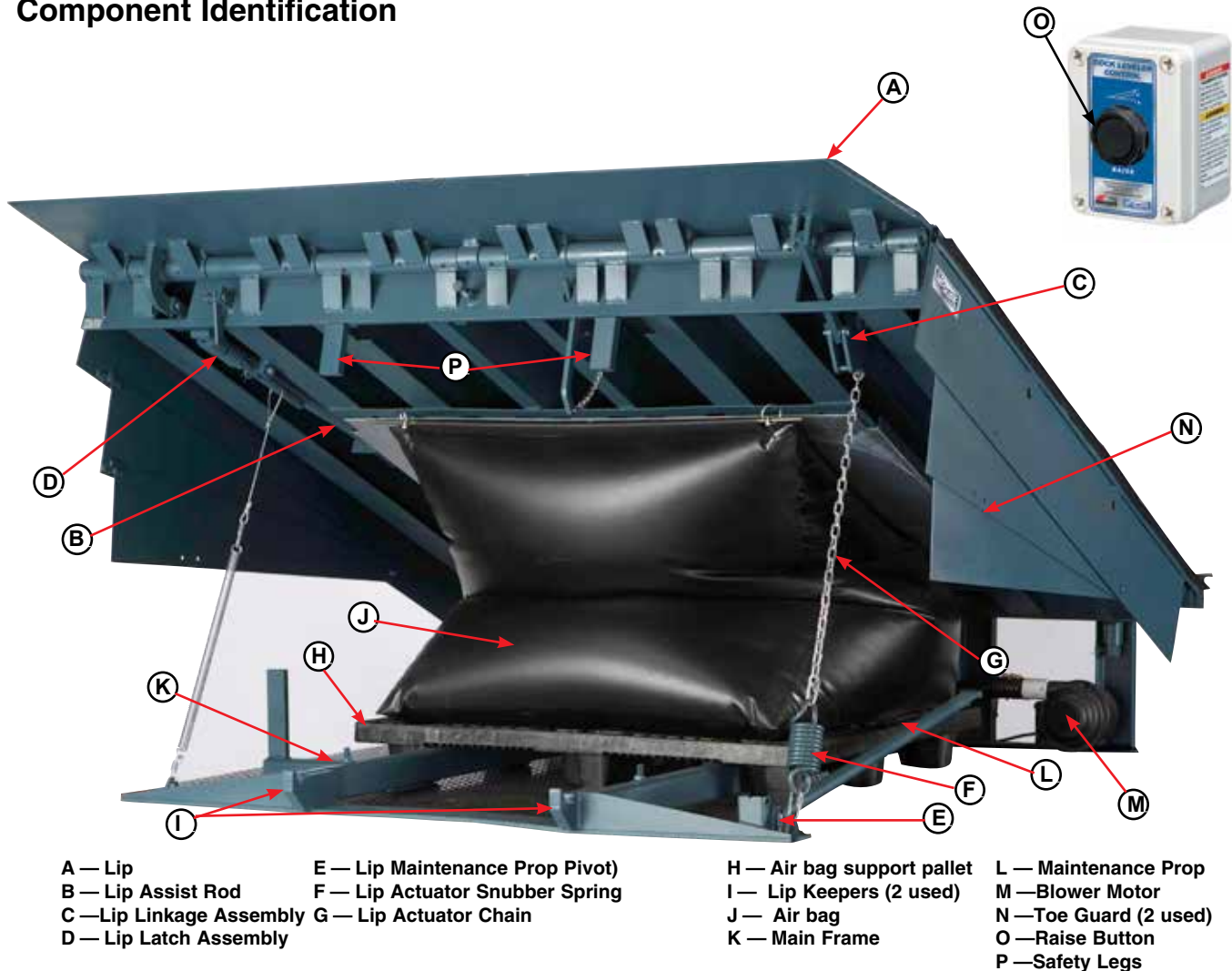
25,000 lb (11 340 kg)  
30,000 lb (13 608 kg)  
35,000 lb (15 876 kg)  
40,000 lb (18 144 kg)  
45,000 lb (20 412 kg)  
55,000 lb (22 680 kg)

\* CIR (Comparative Industry Rating)

All docks are available in 115V motors only.

# INTRODUCTION

## Component Identification



## THEORY

The MA dock leveler uses a blower motor and one-button operation for ease of use.

The dock leveler can be operated remotely using the RAISE button (O) on the control panel. This activates an electric blower motor (M). The blower forces air into the air bag (J), causing the platform to rise. Releasing the RAISE button allows the platform to lower.

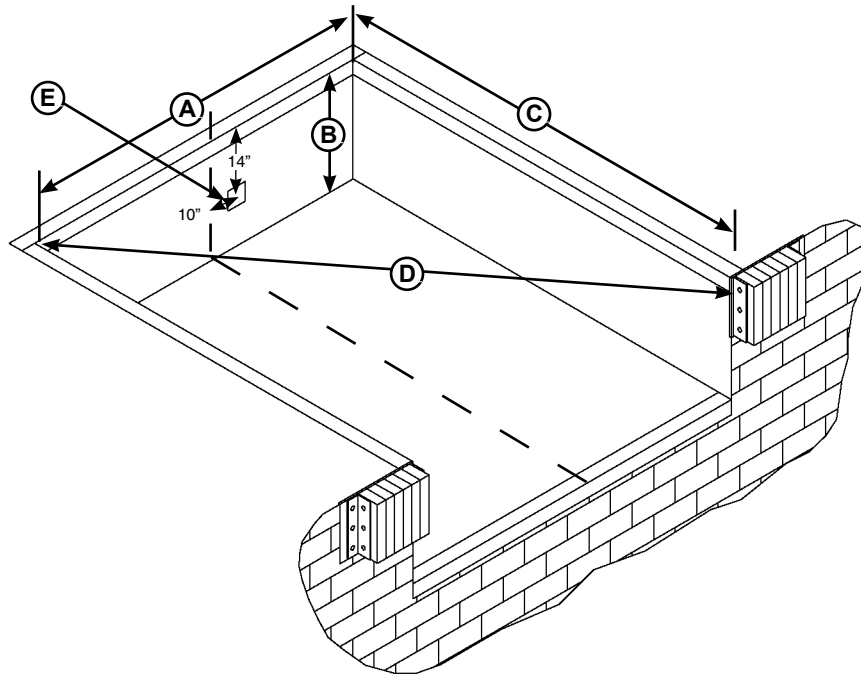
When the platform rises to the point where there is 2 — 3 in. (51 — 76. mm) from its full raised height, the lip spring (F) and lip actuator chain (G), causes the lip linkage assembly to push the lip out and up. The lip assist spring (not shown) also helps keep the lip extended. When the lip is fully extended, the lip latch cable engages the lip latch assembly, locking the lip in the extended position. The dock leveler has reached its full height when the lip is fully extended.

To lower the platform, release the Raise button (O).

The platform will lower until the extended lip rests on the transport vehicles. If the lip did not fully extend or there is no transport vehicle at the dock the platform will lower until one of the following conditions occur:

- Lip is resting on lip keepers (cross-traffic position).
- Leveler went to the below-dock position, lip folds automatically, leveler rests on the safety legs (below dock position).
- Leveler went to the below dock position with operator holding the safety leg retract cable (not shown), safety legs are retracted, lip folds automatically causing dock to rest in the full below dock position.

## Prepare Pit




A—Distance (Pit Width)  
(Front and Rear)

B— Distance (Dock Floor-to-Pit  
Floor) (All Four Corners)

C— Distance (Pit Length)  
(Both Sides of Pit)

D— Distance (Pit Corner-to-Corner)  
(Top, Bottom, and Both Sides)

 **WARNING**

Post safety warnings and barricade the work area at dock level and ground level to prevent unauthorized use of the dock leveler before installation has been completed.

Failure to follow the installation instructions can result in damage to dock leveler, the facilities, and/or serious personal injury or death.

 **CAUTION**

Only trained installation professionals with the proper equipment should install this product.

**NOTICE**

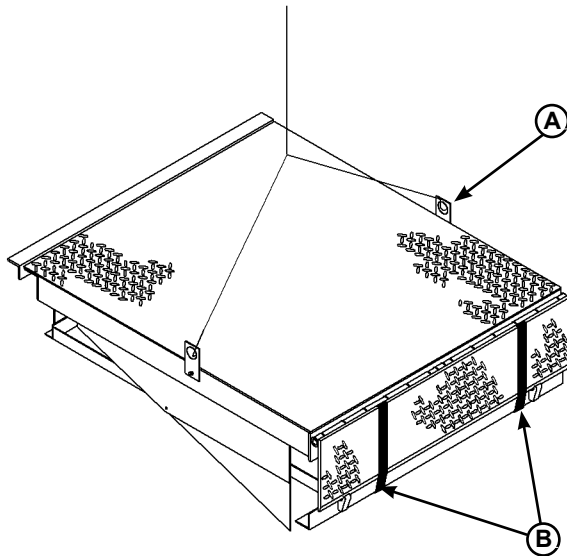
DO NOT remove the shipping bands around the dock leveler lip until instructed to do so.

1. Before lowering the dock leveler into the pit, the following must be performed:
2. Remove all debris from the pit and sweep the pit clean.
3. Check the entire dock leveler pit for proper construction according to approved/certified pit drawings. Make sure pit is square by making the following measurements:
  - Measure pit width distance (A) at both front and rear of pit.
  - Measure dock floor-to-pit floor distance (B) at all four corners.
  - Measure pit length distance (C) at sides.
  - Measure corner-to-corner (criss-cross) distance (D) at both sides. Take measurements at dock floor level and at pit floor level.

If any measurement is off by more than 1/8 in. (3.18 mm), contact Technical Services before proceeding.
4. Make sure the field junction box for the dock leveler (E) is at the correct location per pit diagrams.

# INSTALLATION

## Prepare Dock Leveler



A — Lifting Bracket (2 used)

B — Shipping Bands

McGuire dock levelers are designed with installation in mind. Each unit is shipped with lifting brackets (A) fastened to the platform side joists.

### **WARNING**

The dock leveler is heavy. Use a lifting device and chains with the appropriate lifting capacity and reach.

Always use the lifting brackets provided with the unit whenever lowering or lifting a dock leveler into or out of a pit.

Failure to follow these instructions may result in damage to dock leveler and/or serious personal injury or death.



### **NOTICE**

DO NOT remove the shipping bands (B) around the platform lip and leveler frame at this time. The shipping bands are needed to hold the leveler together during the installation process.

### **NOTICE**

DO NOT over tighten the lifting bracket hardware. Over tightening can damage the weather seal, if equipped.

1. Remove any control panel and bumpers that may be banded to the frame of the dock leveler. DO NOT remove the shipping bands (B) around the platform lip and leveler frame at this time.


*NOTE: Overall width of platform and lifting brackets (A) must be kept to a minimum to prevent interference between the lifting brackets and the pit walls as the dock leveler is lowered into the pit.*

2. Make sure the mounting hardware of lifting brackets (A) is snug. The brackets should pivot relatively freely on the mounting cap screw. DO NOT over tighten.
3. Attach lifting chains to lifting brackets (A) and to a lifting device (i.e., hoist or fork transport) having the appropriate lifting capacity and reach.
4. Remove wood blocks that are attached to the leveler frame before putting the dock leveler into the pit.
5. Attach a temporary, switched, power supply to the blower before lowering leveler into pit. Keep power cables clear of frame members, shim locations and pinch points. DO NOT CONNECT POWER AT THIS TIME.
6. Remove 3 plastic ties that hold the bag and bag support skid to the underside of the leveler during shipping before lowering leveler into pit.


## Install Dock Leveler

Shim  
Stacking Methods


(N)




(P)

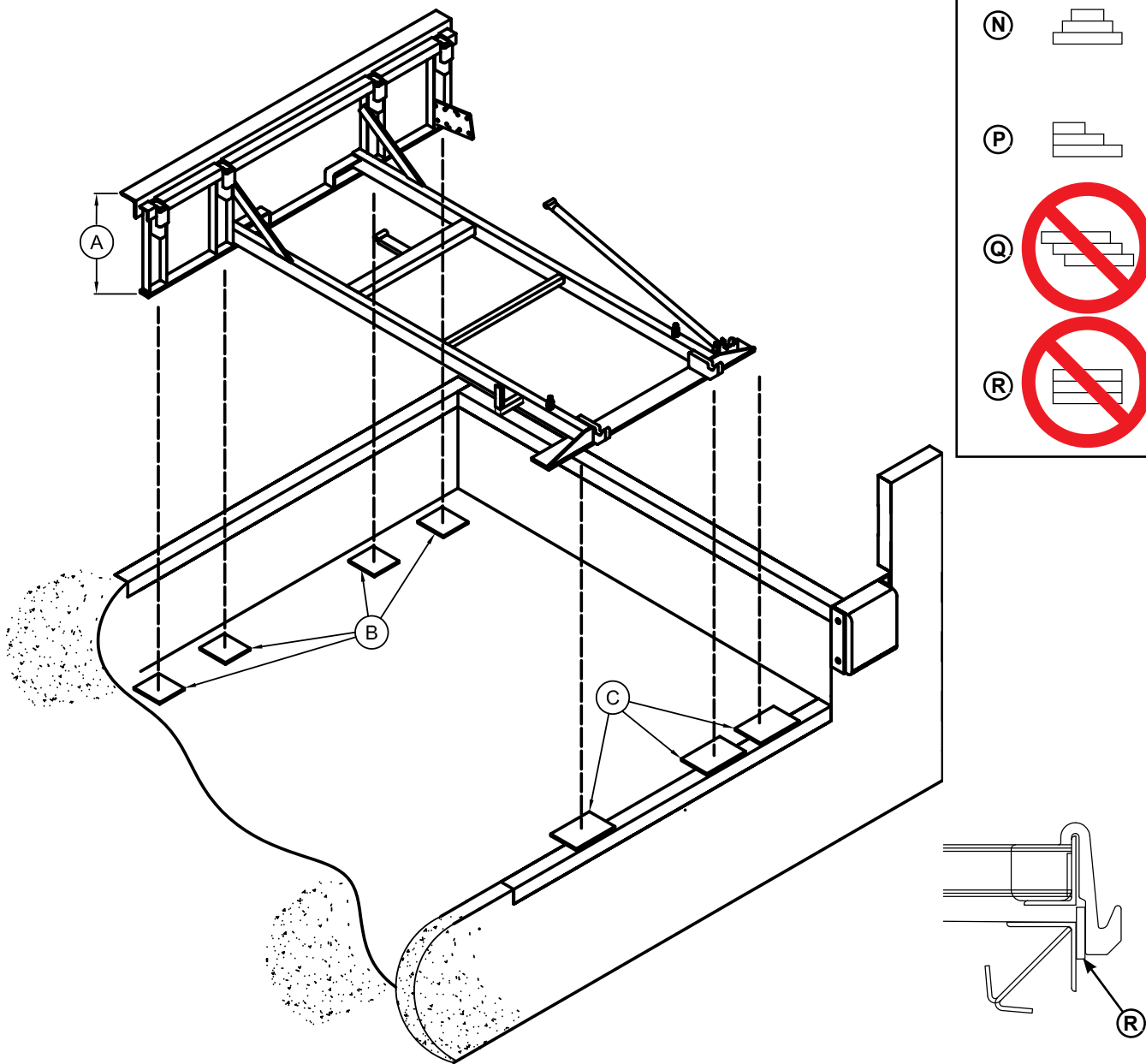


(Q)



(R)





- A— Distance (Leveler Frame Height)

B— Shim Locations (Under Rear Vertical Supports, 4-5 Places TYP)

C— Shim Locations (Under Lip Keepers, Shim Under Snubber Spring Mount)

D— Dock Floor

E— Rear Pit Curb Angle

F— String

G— Rear Hinge Frame Angle

H— Distance (Dock Floor-to-Pit Floor)

J— Distance (Top of Shim Stack-to-Dock Floor)

K— Shim Stack

L— Dock Leveler Frame

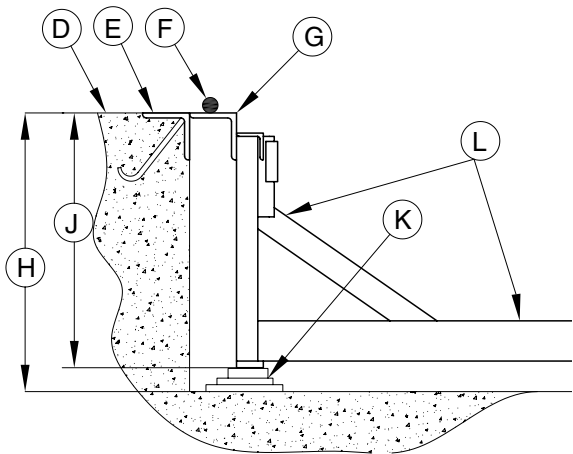
M — Pyramid (Preferred)

N— Stepped (Acceptable)

P— Offset (Not Acceptable)

Q — Straight (Not Acceptable)

R — Lip Keeper (Shim between lip keeper and curb angle as required)



# INSTALLATION

*NOTE: McGuire dock levelers are designed with a nominal 1/2 in. (12.7 mm) shimming distance to allow for pit inconsistencies.*

*NOTE: Poweramp dock levelers are designed with a nominal 1/2 in. (12.7 mm) shimming distance to allow for pit inconsistencies.*

1. Determine height of shim stack (L) for each shim location (B) by performing the following:

- a. Measure leveler frame height distance (A).
- b. Measure dock floor-to-pit floor distance (J) at each shim location (B). Write down the

## NOTICE

The minimum size of the shim that contacts the leveler frame (i.e., the top shim of each shim stack) must be at least 4-1/2 x 4-1/2 in. (114.3 x 114.3 mm) to support the full width of the hoist cylinder / storage prop weldment.

Use the thickest shim stock possible for stability and weld penetration purposes. DO NOT use multiple layers of 1/8 in. (3.18 mm) or thinner shim stock.

dimensions obtained at each location.

- c. Subtract distance (A) from distance (J) to obtain the shim height. Repeat for each shim location.
2. Using the results obtained in step 1, create the individual shim stacks on the pit floor at locations (B). Build each shim stack (L) using the pyramid method (N) (preferred) or stepped method (P) with the top shim having a minimum size of 4-1/2 x 4-1/2 in. (114.3 x 114.3 mm) and each successive lower shim being larger so the shims can be welded together using a fillet weld. DO NOT use offset method (Q) or straight method (R).
  - 3.

*NOTE: To assist in obtaining an accurate measurement of distance (K), use a string (G) pulled tight across the pit opening, directly over the shim locations.*

4. Verify that each shim stack is at the correct height by measuring distance (K) [top of shim stack (L) to dock floor]. Distance (K) must equal the dock

## WARNING

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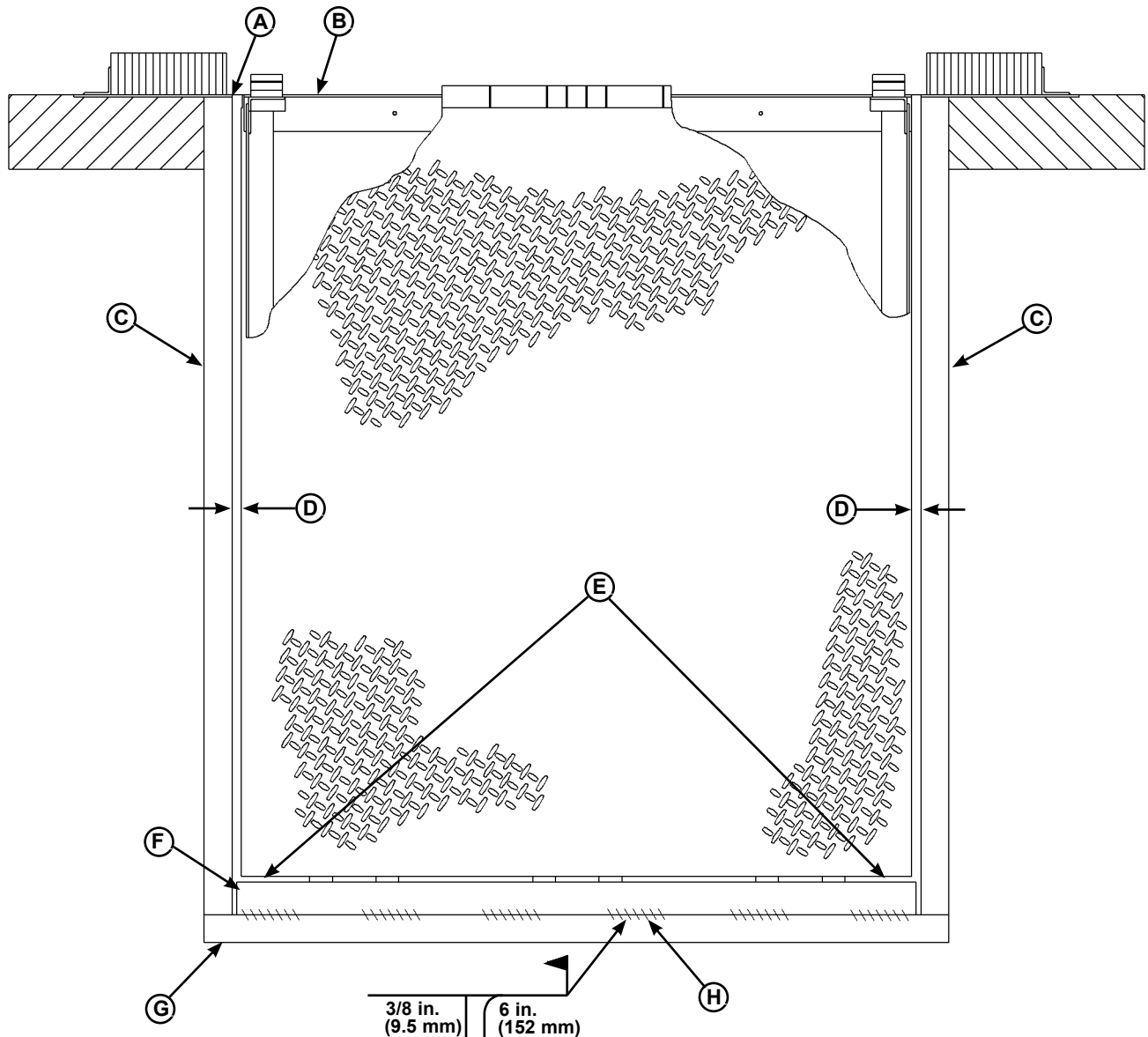
leveler height (A).

5. For all AP models, put a 1/4 in. (6.6 mm) thick shim at locations (D).

*NOTE: A 1/4 in. (6.6 mm) thick shim at locations (D) is used only as a starting point. The final shim stack height will be determined after dock leveler is lowered into the pit.*

6. Using an appropriate lifting device connected to the lifting brackets, lower dock leveler into the pit so rear hinge frame angle (H) is tight against rear pit curb angle (F) across full width of the leveler frame.
7. Allow rear of dock leveler to rest on the rear shims while keeping the front of the dock leveler level with the dock floor.
8. For all AP models, add shims at front shim locations (D) so front of dock leveler will stay level with dock floor when leveler is resting fully on shims.
9. With rear hinge frame angle (F) tight against rear pit curb angle (G), perform/check the following:
  - Pry between the platform and rear hinge frame angle at locations (E) to make sure rear edge of platform is parallel to the rear hinge frame angle (F).
  - Gap (D) must exist equally along both sides of leveler so weather seal (if equipped) will not bind during dock leveler operation.
10. If gap (D) cannot be obtained equally at both sides of leveler, grind or add material at the rear edge of





A— Front of Dock Pit  
B— Dock Leveler Frame  
C— Side Pit Curb Angle  
D— Gap [3/4 in. (19 mm) Minimum]

E— Pry Locations  
F— Rear Hinge Frame Angle  
G— Rear Pit Curb Angle  
H— Flare Bevel Weld, Typical (To Fit Spacing)

rear hinge frame angle (F) as needed.

11. Allow the dock leveler to rest fully on the shim stacks. Check that a smooth and level transition exists between the dock floor and the dock leveler platform. Add or remove shims as necessary until a smooth transition is obtained.
12. If leveler cannot be squared and/or made level as instructed in steps 8 — 10, contact Technical Services.
13. With the leveler square in the pit and flush with the surrounding dock, remove the banding on the lip of the leveler.

14. Connect the blower motor to the temporary power supply.
15. Slowly raise the platform. Check for binding as platform is being raised.
16. If binding occurs, lower the platform. Reposition leveler and/or add or remove shims as necessary. Slowly raise platform again. If platform still binds, contact Technical Services for further instructions.
17. All AP models - Once leveler is flush, square and does not bind:

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- a. Install shims under maintenance prop (D) page 11, where prop attaches to leveler frame. Make sure prop is solidly shimmed.
  - b. Using the leveler's blower motor, raise the dock to the fully open position.
  - c. Raise maintenance prop to the service (upright) position and lock prop in this position using an OSHA approved locking device.
18. Disconnect power supply from motor.
  19. Remove air bag and pallet support from the leveler by disconnecting air bag positioning rods from hooks on the underside of platform. (figure 1) and removing the band clamp from the motor coupler. (figure 2)
  20. Remove or protect the blower motor from weld sparks and splatter.
  21. With the rear hinge frame angle (F) tight against the rear pit curb angle and flush with the curb angle (G), weld the rear hinge frame angle (F) to the rear pit curb angle (G) using a 3/8 in. (9.5 mm) flare bevel skip weld — each weld being 6 in. (152 mm) long.

Start at each end with a 6 in. (152 mm) long weld. Space all the other welds out evenly



figure 1



figure 2

## CAUTION

Two people are required to engage the maintenance prop: one person to operate the lifting device, the other person to engage the maintenance prop.

## WARNING

DO NOT use the maintenance prop to support the raised platform until the maintenance prop has been properly shimmed and welded. The shims must be welded to each other, the leveler frame, and to the front pit curb steel. Failure to do this may result in serious personal injury or death.

leaving approximately 6 in. (152 mm) space between each weld.

22. All model levelers: Install shims at locations (B, p.11) using the pyramid or stepped shimming method. Make sure the platform is level from side-to-side as well as from front-to-back and flush with dock floor.
23. Weld front of dock leveler frame (B) to shims located under the keepers, then weld the shims to the front pit curb steel.
24. Finish weld all shims using a fillet weld.
  - Weld all shims within each shim stack to each other, then weld the shim stack to the leveler frame.
  - Weld the front leveler frame shim stacks to the front pit curb steel.
25. When all welding has been completed, paint all the welds and shims.

## NOTICE

DO NOT weld before disconnecting all electrical components.

DO NOT weld before removing air bag, air bag support pallet and hoses from leveler.

Protect or remove the blower motor before welding.

Failure to follow these instructions may result damage to these components from stray sparks and weld splatter.





## WARNING

DO NOT grind or weld if hydraulic fluid or other flammable liquid is present on the surface to be ground or welded.

DO NOT grind or weld if uncontained hydraulic fluid or other flammable liquid is present. Stray sparks can ignite spills or leaks near the work area. Always clean up the oil leaks and spills before proceeding with grinding or welding.

Always keep a fire extinguisher of the proper type nearby when grinding or welding.

Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious personal injury or death.

## NOTICE

DO NOT weld continuously along the full length of the rear hinge frame angle. This can put unnecessary stress on the leveler components, causing the leveler to malfunction and shorten the life span of the affected components.

*NOTE: The illustration on page 15 shows a typical weld pattern. The weld pattern will vary slightly depending on size of dock leveler.*

## NOTICE

DO NOT connect the dock leveler electrical wiring and ground connections until all welding has been completed.

DO NOT ground welding equipment to any hydraulic or electrical components of the dock leveler. Always ground welding equipment to the dock leveler frame, NEVER to the platform.

Failure to follow these instructions may damage the motor, wiring, and/or control panel.



## WARNING

Make sure the platform is properly supported in the raised position before entering the pit to finish weld the shims. Failure to do this may result in serious personal injury or death.

### Shim Stacking Methods

(N)



(P)



(Q)



(R)



\* For left/right orientation of dock leveler, see inside back cover of this manual.

# INSTALLATION

## Install Control Panel and Wiring

### **WARNING**

The electrical power must be OFF prior to electrical installation. For maximum protection, use an OSHA approved locking device to lock out all power sources. Only the person installing the equipment should have the key to unlock the power source.

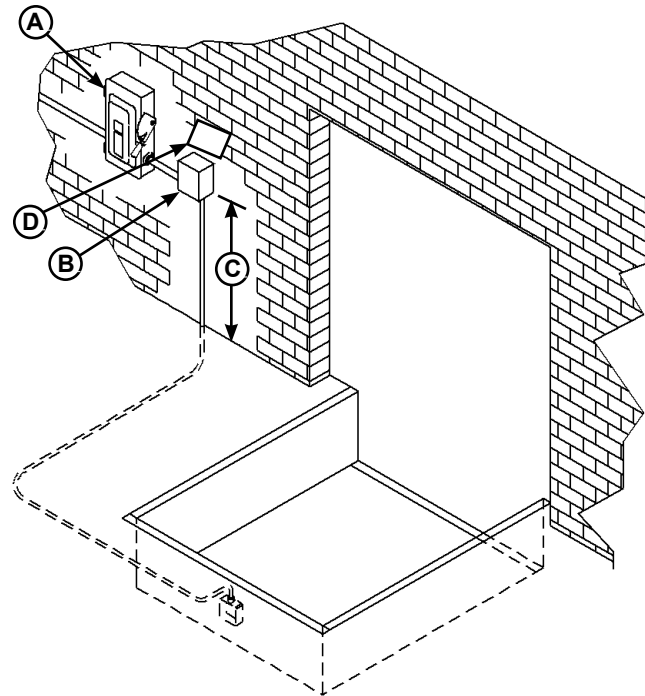
Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious personal injury or death.

### **WARNING**

DO NOT make any final electrical connections until all welding has been completed. Failure to do this may result in serious personal injury or death.

### **CAUTION**

All electrical work—including the installation of the disconnect panel, control panel, and final connections to the pit junction box—must be performed by a certified electrician and conform to all local and applicable national codes.



A— Disconnect Panel (provided by others)  
B— Control Panel      C— Distance, 48 in. (14 630 mm)  
D— Placard

1. Mount the push button control panel (B) so bottom of control panel-to-dock floor distance (C) is 48 in. (1219.2 mm).
2. Install electrical disconnect panel (A) if not already installed.
3. Install and connect the control wiring.
4. Re-install the air bag, air bag support pallet and blower motor.
5. Connect the dock leveler power cable to the outlet in the pit junction box. Refer to the electrical drawings supplied with the dock leveler.
6. After all electrical connections in the pit have been made, raise the leveler, disengage the maintenance prop and allow the platform to lower
7. Install the Placard(s) (D), in close proximity to the control box and in plain sight.

## Put New Dock Leveler Into Service

1. Disconnect the external lifting device and chains from the lifting brackets.
2. Check that the leveler is flush with the dock floor and that the platform lip contacts both lip keepers evenly.

If an excessive transition exists between the dock floor and leveler and/or lip does not contact both lip keepers evenly, contact Technical Services for further instructions.

3. Install the dock bumpers as required.
4. Turn the main electrical power ON.
5. Raise the leveler platform fully by depressing and holding the RAISE button .
6. Release the RAISE button to lower the platform. As long as there is no transport vehicle present at the dock, the platform will lower to the full below-dock position as the lip folds.

*NOTE: If a transport vehicle is present, the platform will lower until the lip rests on the transport vehicle bed. (See Operating Instructions in Operation section.)*

### CAUTION

When drilling access hole in the control box, DO NOT penetrate too deep, components may be damaged.

DO NOT turn control upside down to drill any access holes. To prevent damaged to electrical components from debris cover components prior to drilling

Seal all conduit entrances to prevent moisture from entering the control box.

DO NOT use compressed air to clean control box. Recommended to vacuum debris from inside.

7. When the platform lowers to the full below-dock position, the lip will fold. Depress and hold the RAISE button until the platform rises just enough to clear the lip keepers, then release the RAISE button to allow the platform to lower to the cross-traffic (stored) position (lip engages lip keepers).
8. Perform steps 5 – 7 at least four times make sure the leveler functions properly and there is no binding.

### CAUTION

Unless the dock leveler is equipped with a tethered remote, two people are required to engage the maintenance prop: one person to operate the unit, the other person to engage the maintenance prop.

9. Raise the platform fully. Hold the platform at this position using the RAISE button and move the maintenance prop to the service (upright) position. Release the RAISE button to allow the platform to lower until it is resting on the maintenance prop.
10. With the maintenance prop supporting the platform, remove the lifting brackets
11. Support the toe guards, remove the cotter pin used in shipping and carefully release the toe guards.
12. Depress and hold the RAISE button until the maintenance prop drops to its stored position. Release the RAISE button and allow the platform to lower fully. Check operation of toe-guards.
13. When the platform lowers to the full below-dock position, the lip will fold. Depress and hold the RAISE button until the platform rises just enough to clear the lip keepers, then release the RAISE button to allow the platform to lower to the cross-traffic (stored) position (lip engages lip keepers).

### WARNING

Always stand clear of platform lip when working in front of the dock leveler. Serious personal injury or death may result.

# OPERATION

## Operating Instructions

### **DANGER**

Stay clear of dock leveler when transport vehicle carrier is entering or leaving dock area.

DO NOT move or use the dock leveler if anyone is under or in front of leveler.

Keep hands and feet clear of pinch points. Avoid putting any part of your body near moving parts.

Failure to follow these instructions may result in severe personal injury or death.

### **WARNING**

Only trained personnel should operate the dock leveler.

DO NOT use a broken or damaged dock leveler. Make sure proper service and maintenance procedures have been performed on leveler before using.

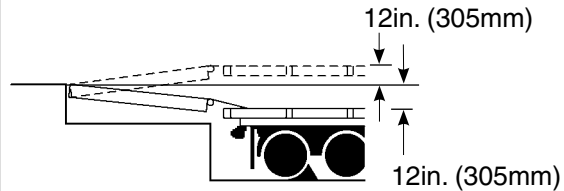
transport vehicle wheels must be chocked unless the vehicle restraint is used. Never remove the wheel chocks until loading/unloading is finished and transport vehicle driver has been given permission to leave.

Make sure platform lip rests on the transport vehicle bed with at least 4 in. (102 mm) of overlap.

Maintain a safe distance from side edges of leveler during the loading/unloading process.

Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious personal injury or death.

### **WARNING**



The MA pneumatic dock leveler is designed to compensate for a maximum  $\pm 12$  in.\* (305 mm) of height difference between the loading dock and the transport vehicle bed. DO NOT use the dock leveler if the transport vehicle bed is more than 12 in. (305 mm) higher or lower than the dock floor.

\*service height may vary with design specifications

DO NOT overload the dock leveler.

DO NOT operate any equipment while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

DO NOT leave equipment or material unattended on the dock leveler.

Failure to follow these instructions may result in personal injury and/or damage to equipment.

**The dock leveler operating instructions are divided into the two methods of loading and unloading:**

- **For ramp loading and unloading, see Ramp Loading/Unloading Instructions on page 19.**
- **For end loading and unloading, see End Loading/Unloading Instructions on page 20.**

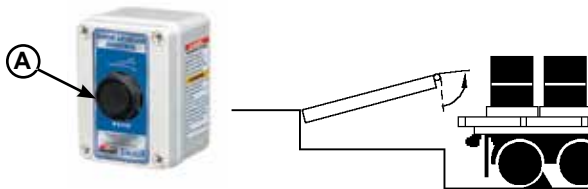
## Operating Instructions—Continued

### Ramp Loading/Unloading Instructions

*NOTE: If end unloading is required, see End Loading/Unloading Instructions on page 20.*

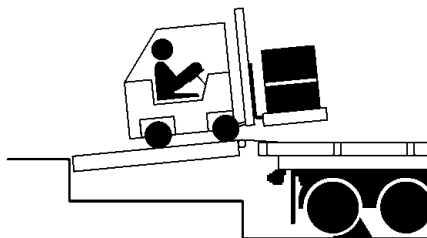
*For ramp loading or unloading, the MA dock leveler can be operated by using the RAISE button on the control panel.*

1. Check to make sure transport vehicle is positioned squarely against dock bumpers.
2. Instruct driver to remain at the dock until the loading or unloading process has been completed.
3. Chock the transport vehicle wheels or use vehicle restraint if available.



**A—RAISE Button**

4. Extend the platform lip onto transport vehicle as follows:
  - a. Raise the platform by depressing and holding RAISE button .
  - b. Hold the RAISE button until the lip is fully extended, then release the RAISE button. The platform will lower until the lip is resting on the transport vehicle bed.
  - c. Make sure that the lip is fully extended and supported on the transport vehicle along the entire width of the platform with at least 4 in. (102 mm) of lip contacting the transport bed.

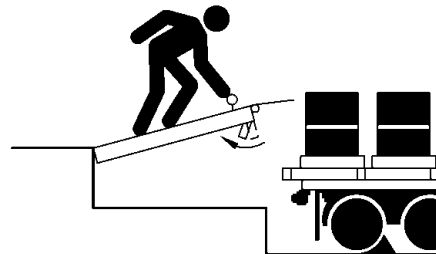


5. Proceed with loading or unloading the transport vehicle.
6. If below dock loading is necessary, see steps 7-11. If not, proceed to step 12. Unloading Instructions on page 20.

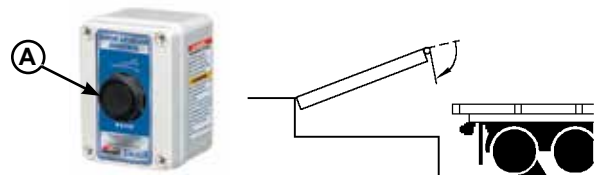
### Below Dock Loading/Unloading Instructions

*NOTE: If end unloading is required, see End Loading/Unloading Instructions on page 20.*

7. Check to make sure transport vehicle is positioned squarely against dock bumpers.
8. Instruct driver to remain at the dock until the loading or unloading process has been completed.
9. Chock the transport vehicle wheels or use vehicle restraint if present.
10. Raise the platform by depressing the raise button (A) to fully raise the leveler and extend the lip.
11. Walk out on the leveler, Pull and Hold the release ring (see picture below) until the platform lowers onto the transport vehicle. Make sure there is a minimum of 4" of lip overlapping the transport vehicle bed.



### Loading/Unloading Completed - Reset Leveler



**A—RAISE Button**

12. When loading or unloading is finished, raise the platform by depressing and holding RAISE button (A) .
13. Hold the RAISE button until the lip folds enough to clear the transport vehicle bed, then release the RAISE button. The lip will fold and the platform will return to the cross-traffic position.
14. Remove chocks from transport vehicle wheels or release the vehicle restraint if used.
15. Indicate to driver that transport vehicle may leave the dock.

# OPERATION

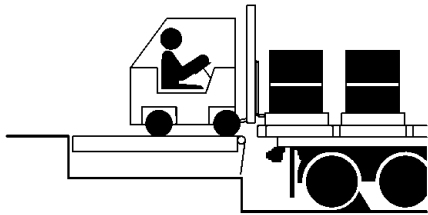
## Operating Instructions—Continued

### End Loading/Unloading Instructions

*NOTE: If ramp loading is required, see Ramp Loading/Unloading Instructions on page 19.*

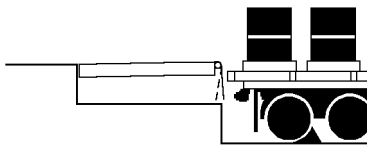
*End loading or unloading can be done with the dock at the cross-traffic position or below-dock position, depending on the height of the transport vehicle bed.*

1. Check to make sure transport vehicle is positioned squarely against dock bumpers.
2. Instruct driver to remain at the dock until the loading or unloading process has been completed.
3. Chock the transport vehicle wheels or use vehicle restraint if available.



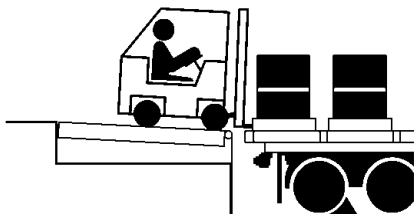
*End Loading/Unloading — Platform at Cross-Traffic Position.*

4. If transport vehicle bed is at or above dock floor level, leave leveler at the cross-traffic position and proceed with loading or unloading.

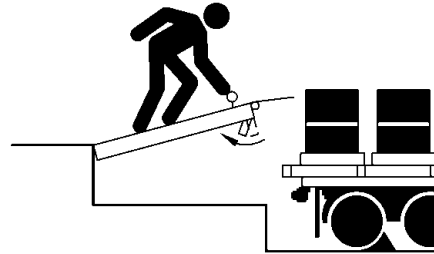


*End Loading/Unloading — Platform Too High  
Use Below-Dock Position.*

5. If transport vehicle bed is below the dock floor level, perform steps 6–12.



*End Loading/Unloading — Platform at Below-Dock Position.*



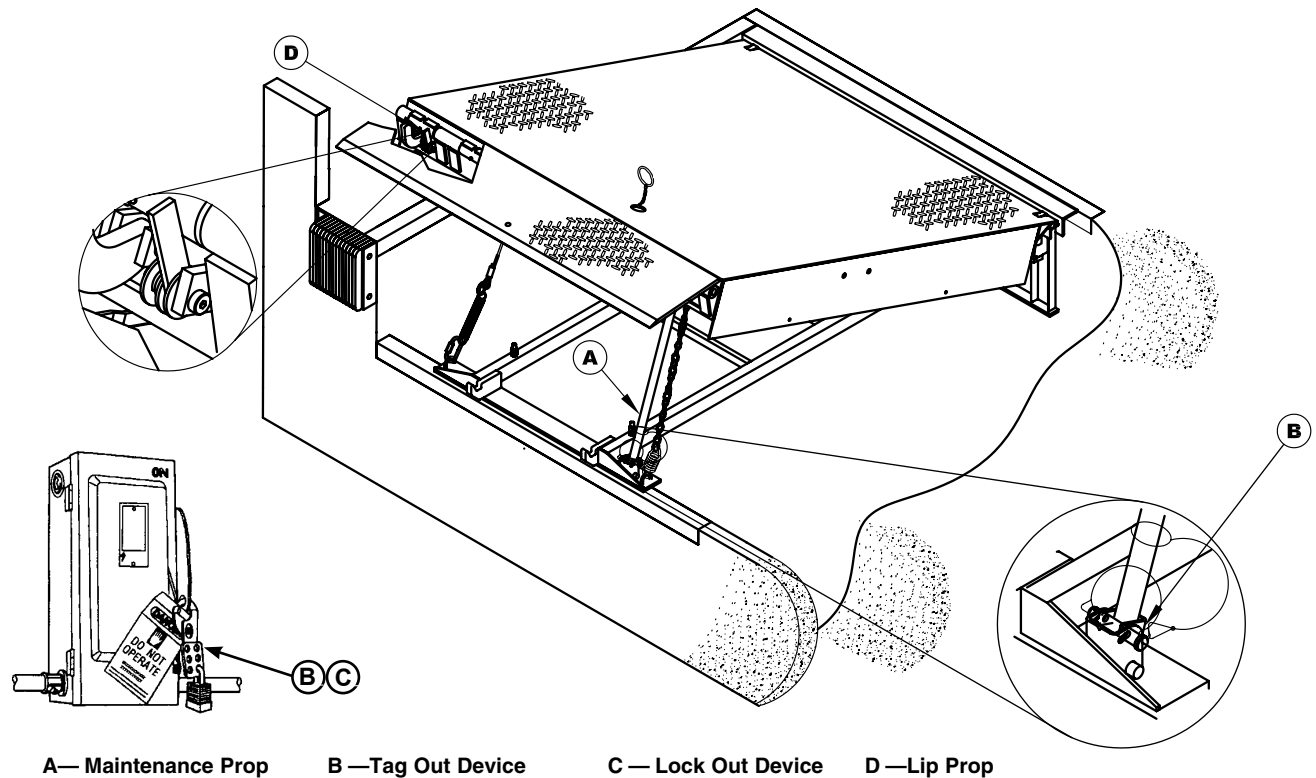
6. Depress the Raise button to the platform high enough to clear the lip keepers, but not high enough to extend the lip.
7. Walk out on the leveler, pull and hold the safety leg retract pull ring (B) (located in the recess at the front of the platform). This will cause the lip to extend away from the lip keepers and the cross traffic safety legs to fold to allow the leveler to lower to the below dock position.
8. When the platform lip clears the lip keepers, continue to hold the pull chain as the leveler lowers to the below-dock service position. The platform will drift down to the full below-dock position.
9. Proceed with loading or unloading.

*NOTE: When end unloading is finished and access to the rest of the transport vehicle is still required, the platform lip will need to be extended. See Ramp Loading/Unloading Instructions on page 19 for further instructions.*

10. When the loading or unloading is finished, return the dock leveler platform to the cross-traffic (stored) position.
11. Depress the Raise button (B) until the lip clears the lip keepers. Release Raise button, leveler will return to the stored or cross traffic position.
12. Remove chocks from transport vehicle wheels or release the vehicle restraint if used.
13. Indicate to the driver that the transport vehicle may leave the dock.



## Service Dock Leveler Safely



A — Maintenance Prop

B — Tag Out Device

C — Lock Out Device

D — Lip Prop

### **! WARNING**

When service under the dock leveler is required, always lock all electrical disconnects in the OFF position after raising the platform and engaging the maintenance prop. Failure to do this may result in serious personal injury or death.

### **! WARNING**

Always post safety warnings and barricade the work area at dock level and ground level to prevent unauthorized use of the dock leveler before maintenance is complete. Failure to do this may result in serious personal injury or death.

### **! WARNING**

Always stand clear of the dock leveler lip when working in front of the dock leveler.

The maintenance prop **MUST** be in the service position when working under the dock leveler. For maximum protection, use an OSHA approved locking device to lock the maintenance prop in the service position. Only the person servicing the equipment should have the key to unlock the maintenance prop.

Unless the dock leveler is equipped with a tethered remote, two people are required to engage the maintenance prop: one person to operate the unit, the other person to engage the maintenance prop.

Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious personal injury or death.

Whenever performing maintenance under the dock leveler platform, support the platform with the maintenance prop (A). Position the maintenance prop behind front header plate (E) while staying clear of the lip. The Lip Prop may be used to keep the lip extended (D). Additional supports should be used to prevent the lip from collapsing if working under the leveler. Lock the maintenance prop in the service (upright) position using an OSHA approved lockout device\* (C) and tagout device (B).

Whenever servicing the dock leveler, lock the electrical power disconnect in the OFF position. Use only an OSHA approved lockout/tagout device\* (C) and tagout device (B).

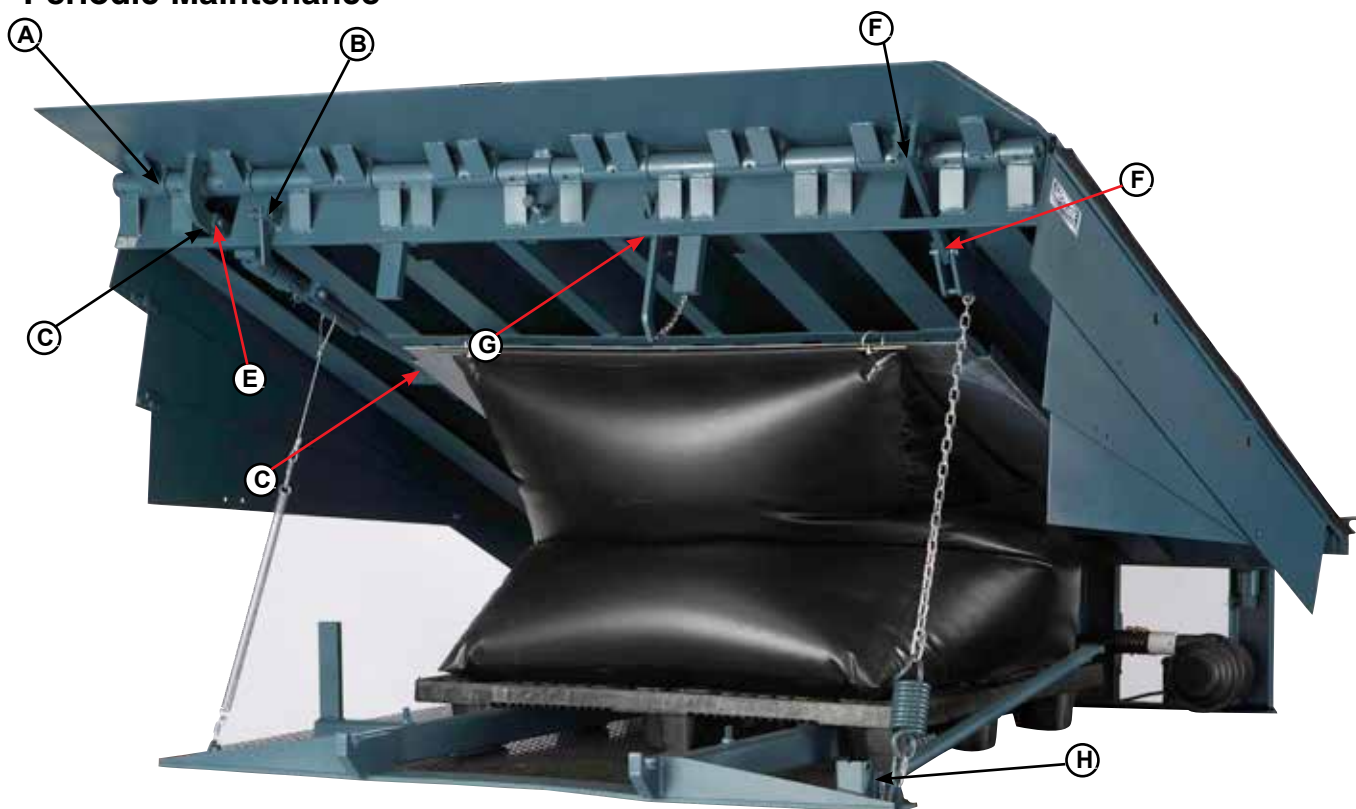
Only the person servicing the equipment should have the capability to remove the lockout/tagout devices. The Tag out devices\* must inform that repairs are in process and clearly state who is responsible for the lockout condition.

\* Refer to OSHA regulation 1910.146

\* Refer to OSHA regulation 1910.147

# MAINTENANCE

## Periodic Maintenance



A— Lip Hinge Area  
B— Lip Prop Pivot

C— Lip Link Pivots

E— Lip Assist Pins  
F— Lip Linkage Pivot

G — Safety Leg Linkage  
Pivots  
H — Maintenance Prop  
Pivot



*Under platform service*



*Air Filter, service under rear of platform*



Regular maintenance must be performed on a weekly and quarterly schedule.

## FOLLOW ALL SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

### Weekly Maintenance

- Operate the dock leveler through the complete operating cycle to maintain lubrication.

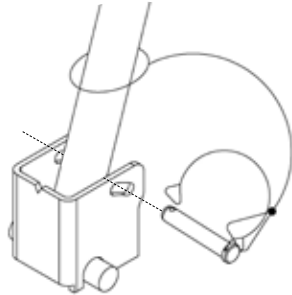
*NOTE: To thoroughly inspect the platform hinge area, put the platform in the full below-dock position.*

- Inspect the platform hinge and the lip hinge areas. The hinge areas must be kept free of dirt and debris. Build-up of foreign material in the hinge areas will cause abnormal operation.
- Inspect the area under the platform, around and under the air bag. Build-up of foreign material in this area may damage air bag components, causing abnormal operation.
- Inspect air bag and seams for signs of wear or damage.

## NOTICE

Failure to properly lubricate the dock leveler will cause abnormal operation of the leveler.

## ! DANGER



A maintenance prop permanently attached and hinged to the unit with means for lock out/tag out requirements (per OSHA 1910.147) is included with each pit style dock leveler. In addition, it is recommended and good safety practice to use an additional means to support the dock platform and lip anytime when physically working in front of or under the dock leveler. This additional means may include, but not limited to a boom truck, fork truck, stabilizing bar or equivalent.

### Quarterly Maintenance

- Weekly Maintenance
- Lubricate the following areas with white lithium grease:
  - (B)— Lip prop pivot
  - (C)— Lip link pivots
  - (E)— Lip Assist pins
  - (F)— Lip linkage pivots
  - (G)— Safety leg pivots
  - (G)— Safety leg linkage pivots
  - (H)— Maintenance Prop Pivot
- Inject white lithium grease in the flowing grease zerks:
  - (A)— Lip hinge area (inject grease into all the lip hinge grease fittings)
  - (B)— Platform hinge area (inject grease into all the platform hinge grease fittings)

# ADJUSTMENTS

## Adjusting the Latch and Lip Actuator Spring Tension

### **WARNING**

When service under the dock leveler is required, always lock all electrical disconnects in the OFF position after raising the platform and engaging the maintenance prop. Failure to do this may result in serious personal injury or death.

### **WARNING**

Always post safety warnings and barricade the work area at dock level and ground level to prevent unauthorized use of the dock leveler before maintenance is complete. Failure to do this may result in serious personal injury or death.

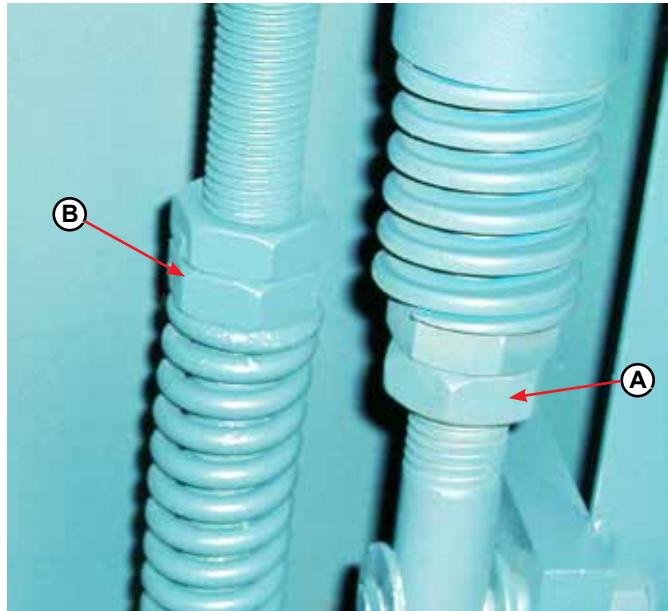
### **WARNING**

Always stand clear of the dock leveler lip when working in front of the dock leveler.

The maintenance prop and lip maintenance prop **MUST** be in the service position when working under the dock leveler. For maximum protection, use an OSHA approved locking device to lock the maintenance prop in the service position. Only the person servicing the equipment should have the key to unlock the maintenance prop.

Unless the dock leveler is equipped with a tethered remote, two people are required to engage the maintenance prop: one person to operate the unit, the other person to engage the maintenance prop.

Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious personal injury or death.



A— Lip Latch Spring Adjustment

B— Lip Assist Spring Adjustment

## Adjusting Lip Latch Spring Tension

This adjustment is set at the factory and should not require additional adjustment.

Unlike mechanical levelers, the lip will not immediately begin to fold as the platform returns to the stored position.

After the platform is fully raised, and the lip extends, the lip latch is designed to hold the lip in the extended position until the platform drifts down to the below dock position.

If the lip does not remain extended as the platform lowers, additional spring tension may be required.

*NOTE: Use half-turn increments when adjusting lip assist spring. Check lip operation after each adjustment. Repeat until proper operation is obtained.*

Adjust spring tension as follows:

1. Loosen jam nut (A).
2. To increase spring tension, turn nut (A) clockwise.
3. To decrease spring tension, turn nut (A) counterclockwise.
4. Tighten jam nut.

Recheck operation of platform and lip. Readjust lip latch spring tension and lip assist spring tension until proper operation is obtained.

## Adjusting Lip Assist Spring Tension

This adjustment is set at the factory and should not require additional adjustment.

Unlike mechanical levelers, the lip will not immediately begin to fold as the platform returns to the stored position.

The MA leveler lip remains extended as the platform drifts down to the below dock position. The lip will automatically fold when the platform when the dock is resting on the safety legs in the below dock position.

If the lip does not fully extend additional spring tension may be needed.

*NOTE: Use two-turn increments when adjusting lip assist spring. Check lip operation after each adjustment. Repeat until proper operation is obtained.*

Adjust spring tension as follows:

- Loosen jam nut (B).
1. To increase spring tension, turn nut (B) clockwise.
  2. To decrease spring tension, turn nut (B) counterclockwise.
  3. Tighten jam nut.

Recheck operation of platform and lip. Readjust lift spring tension and lip assist spring tension until proper operation is obtained.

# ADJUSTMENTS

## Adjust Lip Stop Bolt

### **WARNING**

Always post safety warnings and barricade the work area at dock level and ground level to prevent unauthorized use of the dock leveler before maintenance is complete. Failure to do this may result in serious personal injury or death.

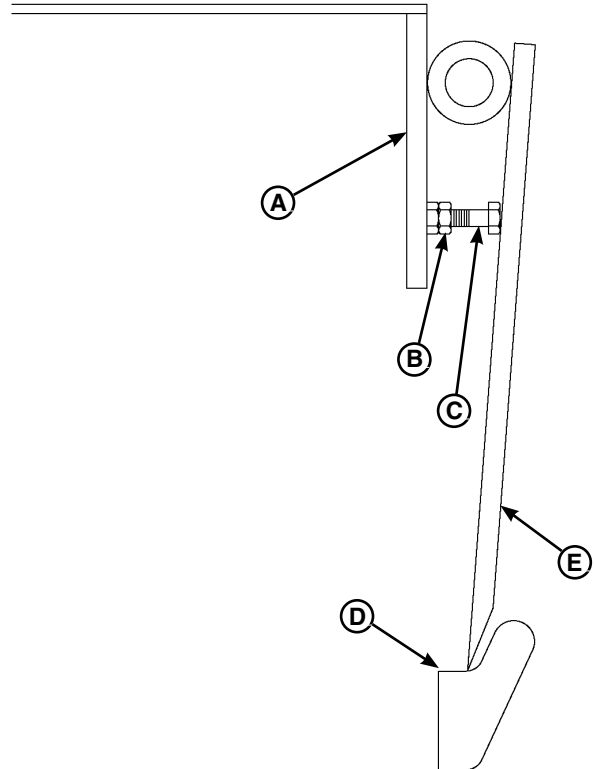
### **WARNING**

Always stand clear of the dock leveler lip when working in front of the dock leveler. Failure to do this may result in serious personal injury or death.

### **WARNING**

The platform maintenance prop **MUST** be in the service position when working under the dock leveler. For maximum protection, use an OSHA approved locking device to lock the maintenance prop in the service position. Only the person servicing the equipment should have the key to unlock the maintenance prop.

Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious personal injury or death.



A— Platform Frame  
B— Jam Nut  
C— Stop Bolt

D— Lip Keeper  
E— Lip

Check that lip (E) is fully resting on the lip keepers (D) and at the lowest part of the keeper cradle. If lip is not resting properly in keepers, perform the following adjustment.

1. Fully raise platform. Engage lip and maintenance prop.
2. Loosen jam nut (B).
3. Adjust stop bolt (C) as necessary.
  - Turn stop bolt “in” (clockwise) to allow lip to fold closer to platform frame (A).
  - Turn stop bolt “out” (counterclockwise) to hold lip further away from platform frame (A).
4. Tighten jam nut.(B)
5. Fully raise platform and disengage lip and maintenance prop.
6. Allow platform to lower to cross-traffic (stored) position.
7. Check lip position in both keepers. Repeat procedure if necessary.

Snubber Spring assembly

TABLE A

DOCK PLATFORM LENGTH (FT.)	PRESET # OF LINKS FROM LIP ASSIST ASSEMBLY TO QUICK LINK "1"
6	21
8	22
10	23

\* TOTAL CHAIN LENGTH = 34 LINKS

CHAIN LINKS  
SEE TABLE "A"  
FOR PRESET  
LENGTH

10 CHAIN LINKS  
FROM QUICK LINK "1"  
TO QUICK LINK "2"

QUICK LINK "1"

QUICK LINK "2"

REMAINING LINK(S)

ITEM QTY PART NO. DESCRIPTION SIZE

1 0941-0006 SPRING, SNUBBER DLM, BOTH-2555

2 2101-0217 QUICK LINK, 1/4" EXT

3 REF 9514-0161 LIP ASSIST ASSEMBLY DLM, DPLA-0338

4 REF 8435-XXXX FRAME WELDMENT D CAD

NOTES:  
1. THE ABOVE DOCK SERVICE RANGE OF THE LEVELER IS DETERMINED BY THE OVERALL LENGTH OF THIS CHAIN AND SPRING ASSEMBLY.  
2. THE OVERALL LENGTH IS PRESET TO THE NUMBER OF CHAIN LINKS IN TABLE "A" FROM THE LIP ASSIST ASSEMBLY (ITEM 3) AND QUICK LINK "1" (ITEM 2).  
3. WHEN TESTING, IF ABOVE DOCK SERVICE RANGE IS GREATER THAN 12", REDUCE THE OVERALL LENGTH BY REPOSITIONING THE ADJUSTMENT QUICK LINK "1" TO LESS THAN THE PRESET NUMBER OF CHAIN LINKS, AS NEEDED.  
4. WHEN TESTING, IF ABOVE DOCK SERVICE RANGE IS LESS THAN 12", INCREASE THE OVERALL LENGTH BY REPOSITIONING THE ADJUSTMENT QUICK LINK "1" TO MORE THAN THE PRESET NUMBER OF CHAIN LINKS, AS NEEDED.  
5. ONCE SERVICE RANGE IS SET, ROUTE THE REMAINING CHAIN THROUGH THE CENTER OF THE SNUBBER SPRING (ITEM 1). COUNT 11 LINKS AND ATTACH QUICK LINK "2" TO ENCLOSE BOTH THE SPRING AND CHAIN IN THE QUICK LINK.  
6. ANY REMAINING LINK(S) CAN BE LEFT ON AS SHOWN OR CUT OFF.  
7. ALL QUICK LINKS TO HAVE BLUE LOCKTITE APPLIED TO THREAD TO SECURE NUT.

D 15-032 6/10/15 REVISED & REDRAWN W/ NEW CHAIN ROUTING

C 106-006 06/29/06 ADDED BLUE LOCK-TITE TO QUICK LINKS

B BLM 06/30/05 ADDED NOTES 1 THROUGH 4

A 105-018 05/31/05 REVISED CHAIN MOUNTING ON AP

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LIP ASSIST SNUBBER SPRING AND CHAIN ASSEMBLY

MATERIAL SEE B.O.M. DRAWN BY BLM

UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED, ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN INCHES WITH THE FOLLOWING TOLERANCES:  
FRACTIONAL: ±1/32"  
DECIMAL: ±.01"  
ANGULAR: ±1°

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# TROUBLESHOOTING



## WARNING

When service under the dock leveler is required, always lock all electrical disconnects in the OFF position after raising the platform and engaging the maintenance prop. Failure to do this may result in serious personal injury or death.



## WARNING

Always post safety warnings and barricade the work area at dock level and ground level to prevent unauthorized use of the dock leveler before maintenance is complete. Failure to do this may result in serious personal injury or death.



## WARNING

Always stand clear of the dock leveler lip when working in front of the dock leveler.

The maintenance prop **MUST** be in the service position when working under the dock leveler. For maximum protection, use an OSHA approved locking device to lock the maintenance prop in the service position. Only the person servicing the equipment should have the key to unlock the maintenance prop.

Unless the dock leveler is equipped with a tethered remote, two people are required to engage the maintenance prop: one person to operate the unit, the other person to engage the maintenance prop.

Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious personal injury or death.

Before performing the detailed troubleshooting procedures, check the following items first:

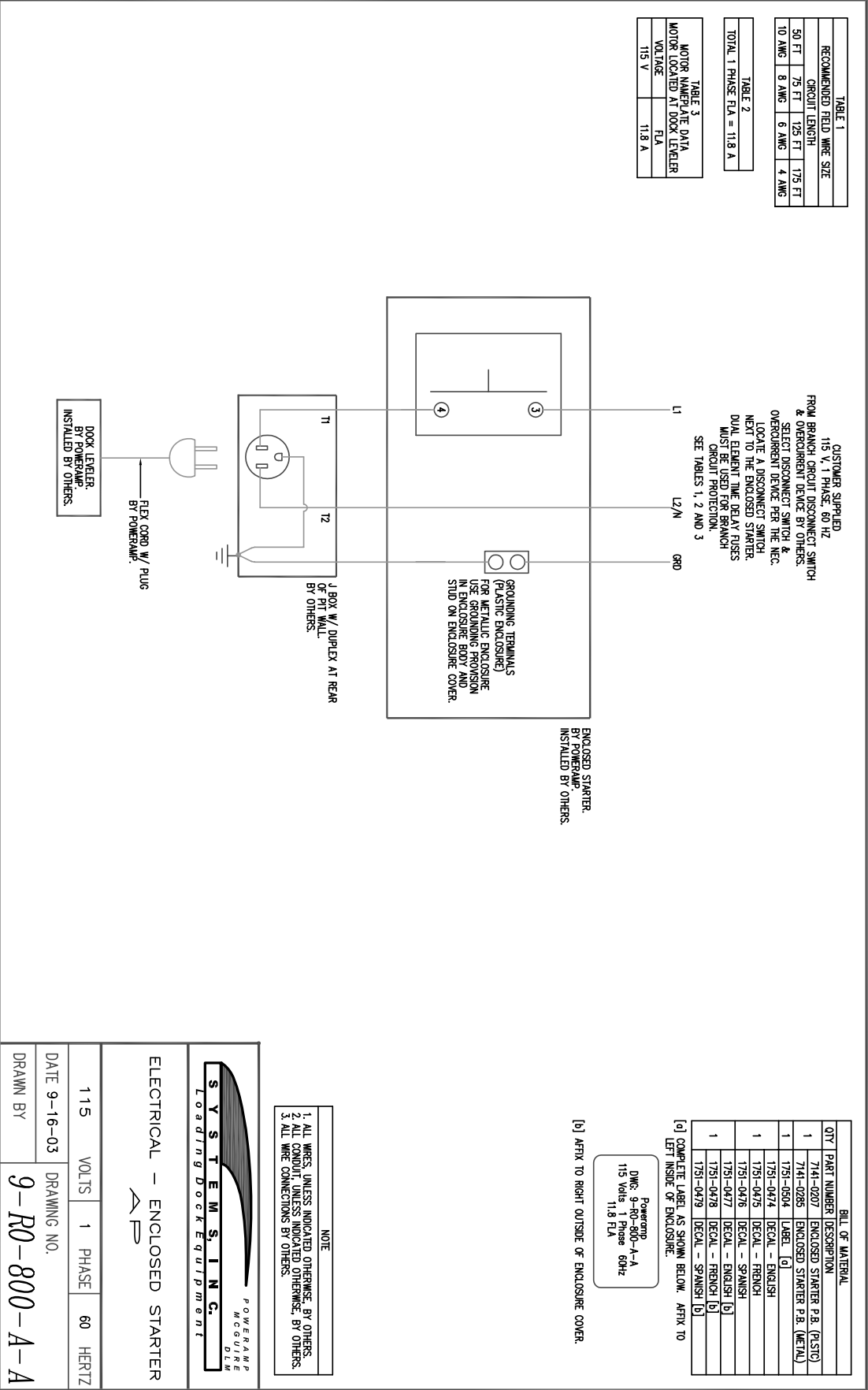
- Check all fuses and circuit breakers. Replace any blown fuse(s) with a fuse of equal specification and reset circuit.
- Make sure the correct voltages are present at the proper locations inside the control panel(s).

Symptom	Possible Cause	Solution
<b>Platform does not rise. Motor does not energize.</b>	Motor fuse blown.	Reset circuit panel or disconnect fuse. Determine cause of overload.
	Motor failure	Check voltage to motor. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If voltage is present and motor does not energize, replace motor.</li> <li>• If voltage is not present, check all components in series with the motor.</li> </ul>
<b>Platform does not rise. Motor hums, but does not run.</b>	Incorrect voltage is present on line.	Check line for proper voltage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If proper voltage is not present, check all components in series with the motor.</li> <li>• If proper voltage is present and motor does not run, check for obstructions.</li> <li>• If no obstructions are found, replace motor.</li> </ul>
<b>Platform does not rise. Motor energizes, but does not run.</b>	Line voltage too low.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check wiring to motor for high resistance.</li> <li>• Check for loose or corroded connections.</li> <li>• Check if gauge of wires to motor are of correct size and specification for load requirement. Replace if necessary.</li> </ul>

## TROUBLESHOOTING

Symptom	Possible Cause	Solution
<b>Platform rises slowly</b>	Air bladder or connecting ducts punctured	Check air bladder and ducting replace as needed
	Damaged or restricted ducting	Replace damaged ducting or remove restriction
	Air intake clogged	Remove intake filter, clean or replace as needed
	Dock leveler binding	Check for visible obstructions that could cause binding. Remove obstructions. If no obstructions found, call Technical Services. See inside back cover for phone number and address.
<b>Platform does not rise to full height.</b>	See Platform Rises Slowly	See Platform Rises Slowly See Periodic Maintenance in the Maintenance section.
<b>Platform DOES rise to full height, but lip DOES NOT extend or extend fully.</b>	Lip actuator spring needs additional tension.	Inspect lip actuator chain, repair or replace as needed.
<b>Lip extends but does not remain extended as leveler drops.</b>	Lip latch spring needs additional tension.	See Adjustment Section: Lip Latch Spring. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase tension as needed to keep latch engaged.</li> <li>• Clean any debris from lip latch area.</li> <li>• Lubricate as instructed in maintenance section.</li> <li>• Replace air bladder</li> </ul>
	Air bladder damaged	

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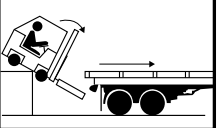




## Controls




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- Read and follow all instructions, warnings, and maintenance schedules in the manual and on placards.
- Operation and servicing of dock leveler is restricted to authorized personnel.

- Always check transport vehicle wheels or engage vehicle restraint and set parking brakes before operating dock leveler or beginning to load or unload.
- Before activating dock leveler, ensure lip avoids contact with transport vehicle sides and cargo. If lip does not lower to transport vehicle bed, reposition transport vehicle.
- Ensure the transport vehicle floor supports extended lip or the lever frame (lip keepers or below dock endload supports) supports the ramp before driving on ramp.
- Stay clear of hinges and front and sides of moving dock leveler.
- Never use hands or equipment to move the ramp or lip.
- Never use damaged or malfunctioning dock leveler. Report problems immediately to supervisor.
- Always store dock leveler and remove people, material, and equipment from ramp before vehicle leaves the dock.
- DO NOT ENTER PIT unless dock leveler is securely supported by the maintenance prop.
- Disconnect power and follow proper lockout/tagout procedures for the dock leveler before entering the dock leveler pit or doing any repair or inspection under the dock leveler.

**FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS COULD  
RESULT IN DEATH OR OTHER SERIOUS INJURY.**



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[www.DockSystemsInc.com](http://www.DockSystemsInc.com)  
**1.800.643.5424**  
 Call for additional placards, or manuals, or with questions regarding proper use, maintenance, and repair of dock leveler.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

### POWERED DOCK LEVELERS

#### NORMAL OPERATION

1. Raise the platform by depressing and holding the RAISE button.
2. Hold the RAISE button until the lip is fully extended, then release the RAISE button. The platform will lower until lip is resting on the transport vehicle.


#### STORING LEVELER

1. Depress the RAISE button until the lip is completely folded. When the lip is folded, release the RAISE button. The platform will lower returning to the cross-transit position.

#### BELOW DOCK ENDLOADING

- **(HYDRAULIC ONLY)** Depress and hold the RAISE button until the lever is fully raised. As the lip starts to extend, release the RAISE button. The lever will lower to the below dock position provided the lip extension allows the lip to clear the lip keepers.
- **(AIR POWERED ONLY)** Depress and hold the RAISE button until the lever is 12" above dock level. Pull the below dock lever chain until the lever passes the below dock position.
- **(HYDRAULIC WITH INFINITE LIP CONTROL)** If equipped, raise the platform by depressing and holding the RAISE button. When the lip is just above the lip keepers, simultaneously depress and hold the RAISE button and the LIP OUT button until lip has extended beyond the lip keepers. Release both buttons.

**NOTE:** If equipped, depressing E-STOP button will stop platform from lowering.

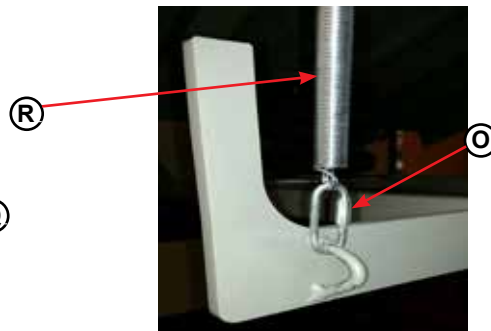
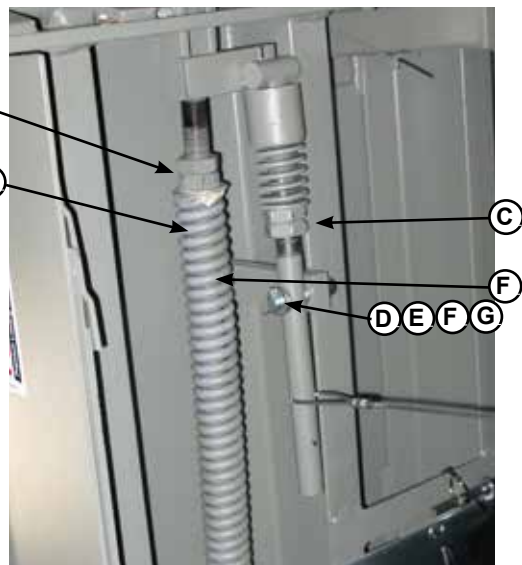
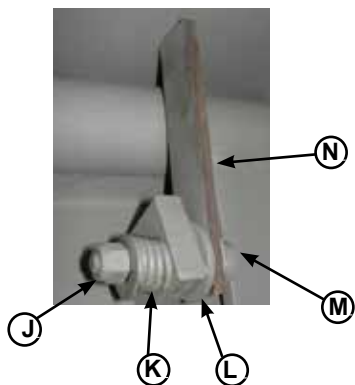


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Item	Quantity	Part Number	Description
A	1	7141-0207	Push Button Controller,
B	1	1751-0725	Decal
C	1	1751-0477	Decal
D	1	1751-0736	Decal, Arc Flash
E	1	1751-0874	Placard

# PARTS

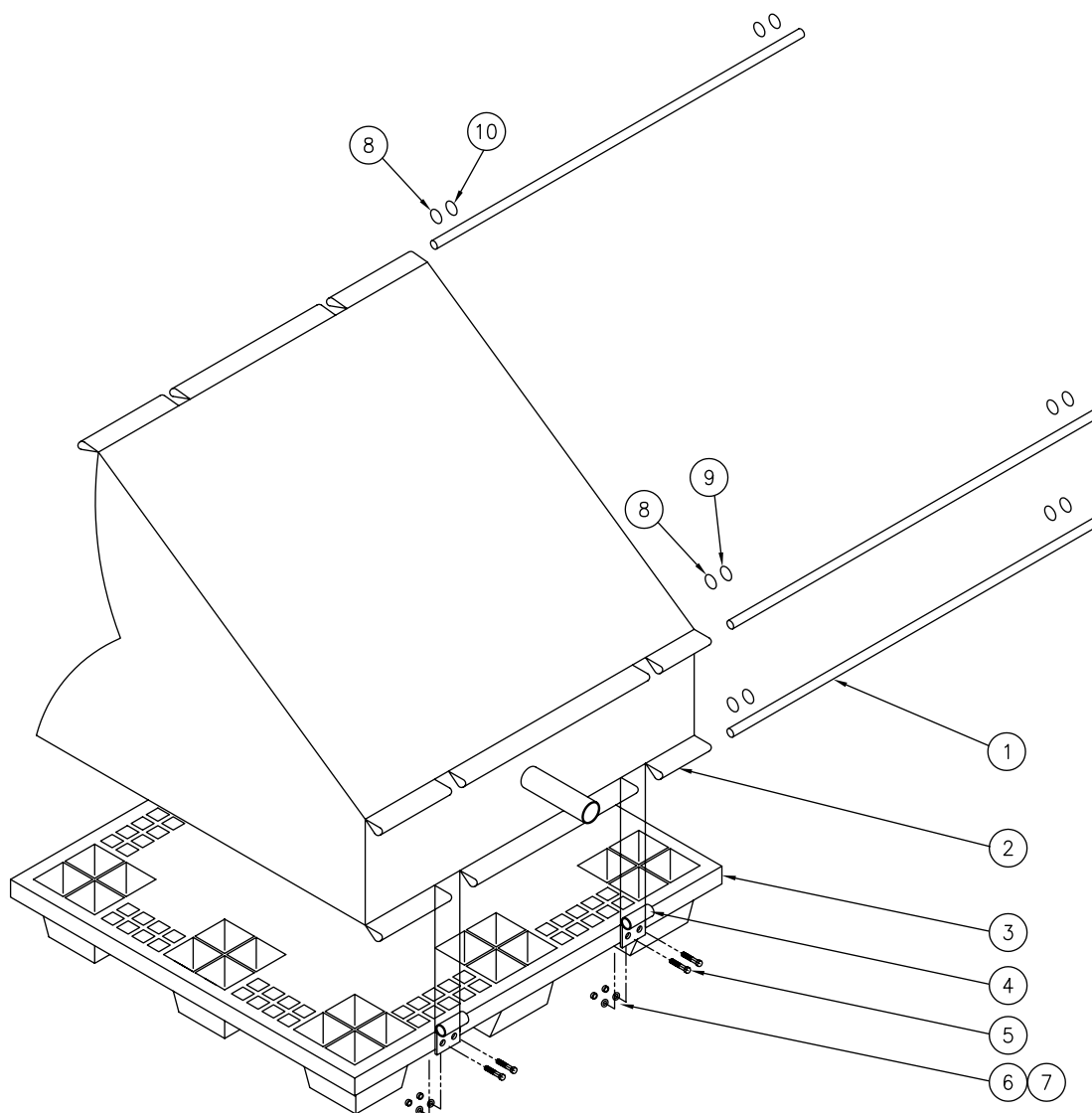


Item	Quantity	Part Number	Description
A	1	DLIP-0305	Lip Assist Rod Complete 34" Lg.
B	1	DOTH-2550	Spring, Lip Assist STD
		DOTH-2546	Spring,Lip Assist Heavy Duty
C	1	5775-0004	Lip latch Assembly 16" Long (3/2014 and older)
		5775-0005	Lip latch Assembly 21" Long (4/2014 and newer)
D	1	DOTH-2351	Bolt,Clevis
E	1	DOTH-2163	Nut, Locking 1/2"
F	1	DOTH-2210	Washer
G	1	DOTH-2374	Cotter Pin
H	1	DPLA-0338	Lip Assist Linkage
I	1	DPLA-0341	Bar, Lip Linkage
J	1	DOTH-2131	Nut, Nylon Lock 3/8
K	1	DOTH-2547	Spring, Lip Prop
L	3	DOTH-2214	Washer
M	1	DOTH-2062	Bolt, Shoulder
N	1	DOTP-2005	Prop, Lip
O	1	2101-0217	Quick Link
P	1	2102-0002	Chain 1/4 Grade 40/43 34 links 41 :long
Q	1	DOTH-2555	Spring, Snubber ( not shown)
R	1	0941-0013	Spring, Lip Latch

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## Airbag and Support Pallet

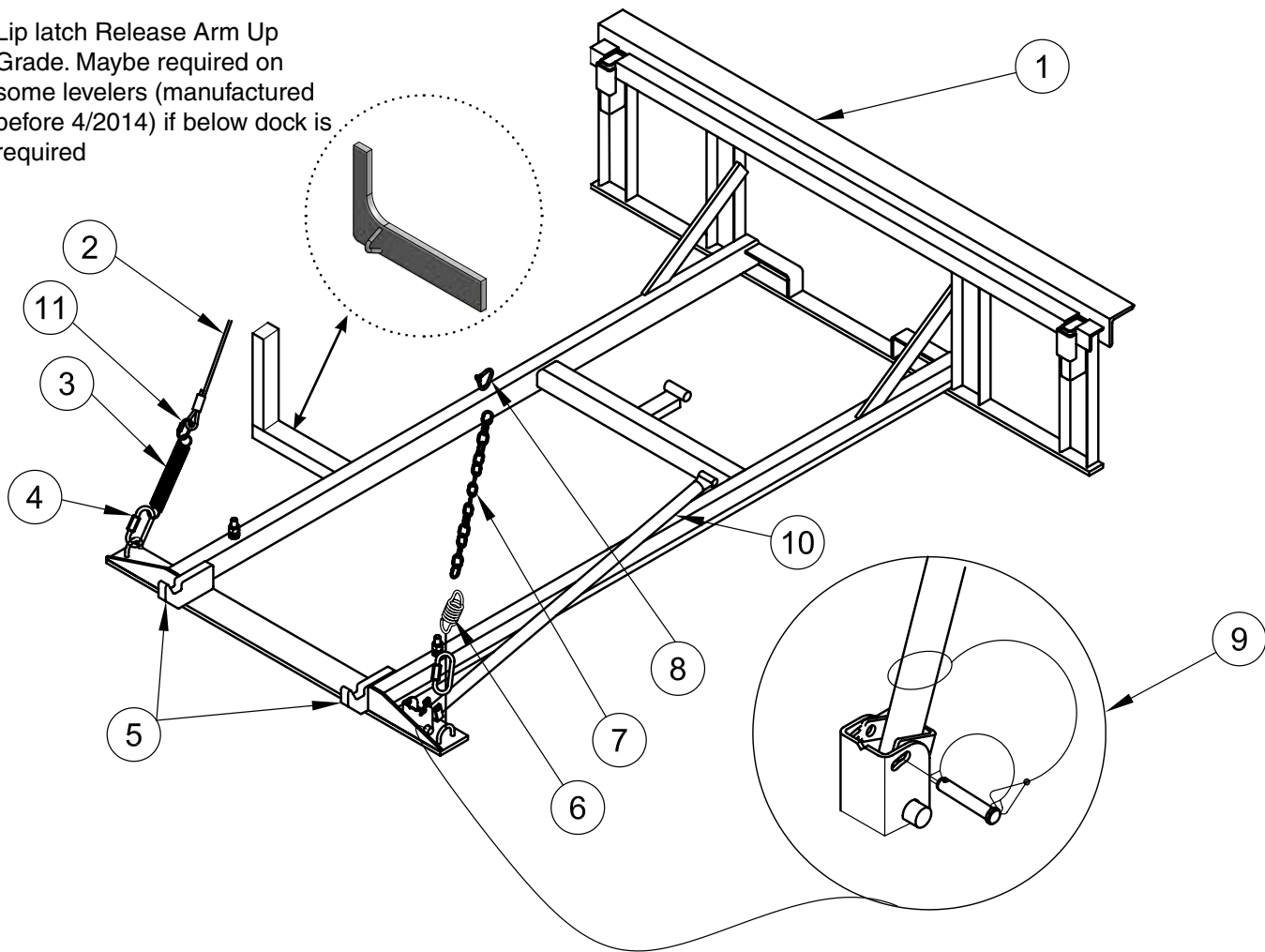


Item	Quantity	Part Number	Description
1	3	5812-0045	Hold Down Rod, 45" long x 7/16" diameter
2	1	5811-0009	Air Bag Bladder
3	1	5811-0012	Skid, Air Bag Leveler
4	2	5813-0001	Skid BRKT, Air Bag Leveler, BM
5	4	2101-0098	Screw, HHCS, 5/16-18UNC x 1-1/2 long
6	4	2101-0214	Nut, Flange, Top L/N, 5/16 - 18UNC
7	4	2101-0058	Washer, Lock 5/16
8	6	2101-0224	Rod Clamps
9	4	2101-0079	Washer Flat 1/2 inch
10	2	2101-0230	Ring, Split 1.75 O.D
3-10	1	5814-0029	Skid, Air Bag Leveler Assembly, Includes Items 3-10

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## Frame and Platform

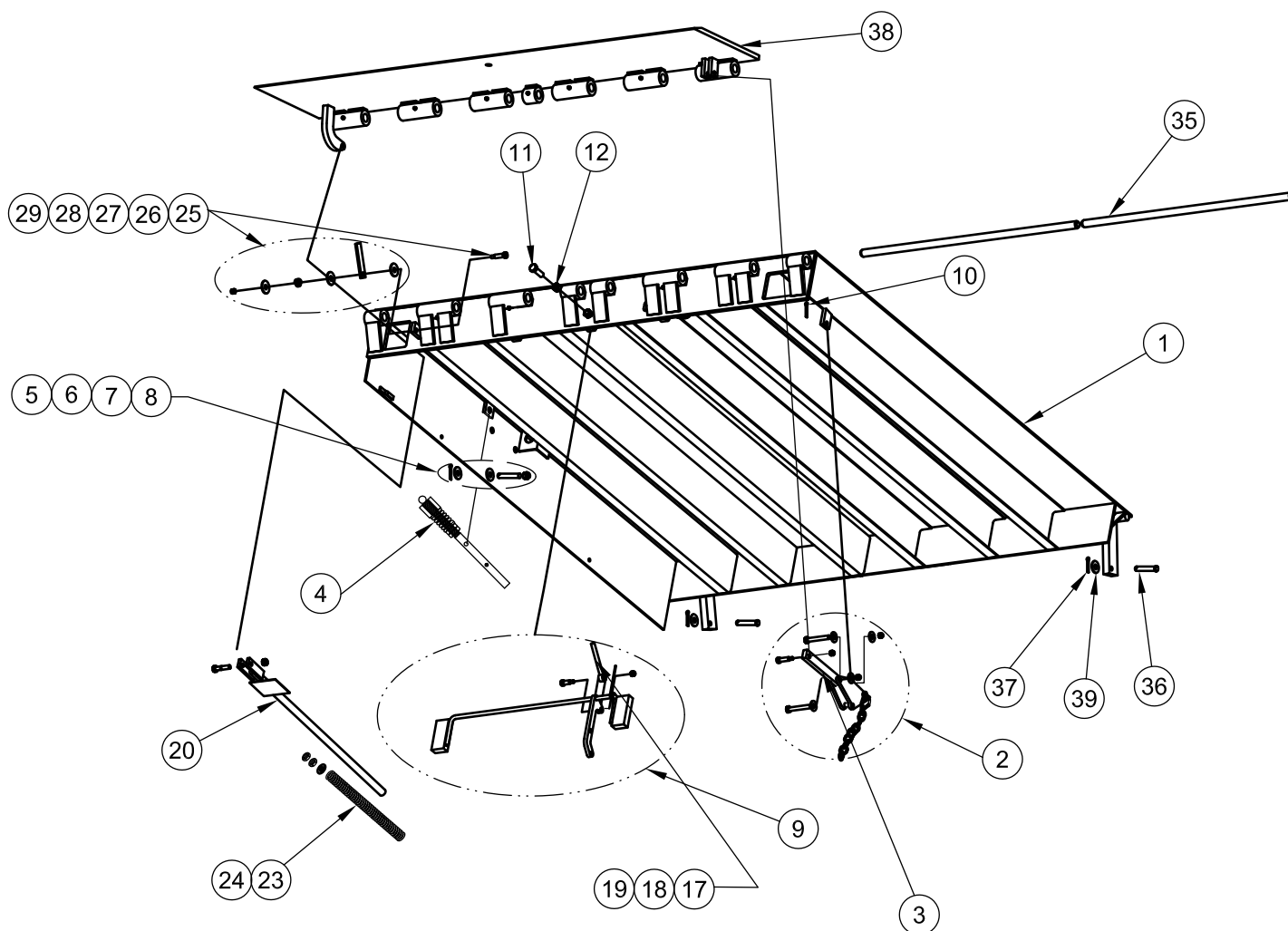
Lip latch Release Arm Up Grade. Maybe required on some levelers (manufactured before 4/2014) if below dock is required



Item	Quantity	Part Number	Description
1	1	8435-____ <sup>1</sup>	Frame, Welded Assembly
2	1	7952-0001	Cable A.C. Assembly 14.00 Final length
3	1	0941-0013	Spring Lip Latch Ext.
4	2	2101-0217	Link, Quick 1/4"
5	2	8432-1129	Keeper Lip 16 inch 20" pit
		8432-1130	Keeper Lip 18 inch 20" pit
		8432-1131	Keeper Lip 20 inch 20" pit
6	1	DOTH-2555	Spring, Snubber
7	1	DOTH-6439	Spring, Snubber and Chain Kit
8	1	DOTH-2421	Cold Shut
9	1	9201-0006	Prop Pin and Clip.
10	1	9224-0030	Maint. Prop 6 foot
	1	9224-0031	Maint. Prop 8 foot
	1	9244-0079	Maint. Prop 10 foot.
11	1	2101-0216	Link, Quick 1/8"

<sup>1</sup> CONSULT FACTORY

## Frame and Platform



PLATFORMS <sup>1</sup>													
ITEM	QTY		6 FOOT				8 FOOT				10 FOOT		
1			6.0 FOOT	6.5 FOOT	7.0 FOOT		6.0 FOOT	6.5 FOOT	7.0 FOOT		6.0 FOOT	6.5 FOOT	7.0 FOOT
	1	25K	9515-5300	9515-5304	9515-5308	25K	9515-5312	9515-5316	9515-5320	25K	9515-5324	9515-5328	9515-5332
	1	30K	9515-5301	9515-5305	9515-5309	30K	9515-5313	9515-5317	9515-5321	30K	9515-5325	9515-5329	9515-5333
	1	35K	9515-5302	9515-5306	9515-5310	35K	9515-5314	9515-5318	9515-5322	35K	9515-5326	9515-5330	9515-5334
	1	40K	9515-5303	9515-5307	9515-5311	40K	9515-5315	9515-5319	9515-5323	40K	9515-5327	9515-5331	9515-5335
	1	45K	9515-5336	9515-5338	9515-5340	45K	9515-5342	9515-5344	9515-5346	45K	9515-5348	9515-5350	9515-5352
	1	55K	9515-5337	9515-5339	9515-5341	55K	9515-5343	9515-5345	9515-5347	55K	9515-5349	9515-5351	9515-5353

<sup>1</sup>consult factory

AR = As Required

<sup>1</sup> Provide dock leveler serial number, platform size, and lip size when calling or faxing orders.

<sup>2</sup> Provide length and width of inspection plate opening when calling or faxing orders.

\* For left/right orientation of dock leveler, see inside back cover of this manual.

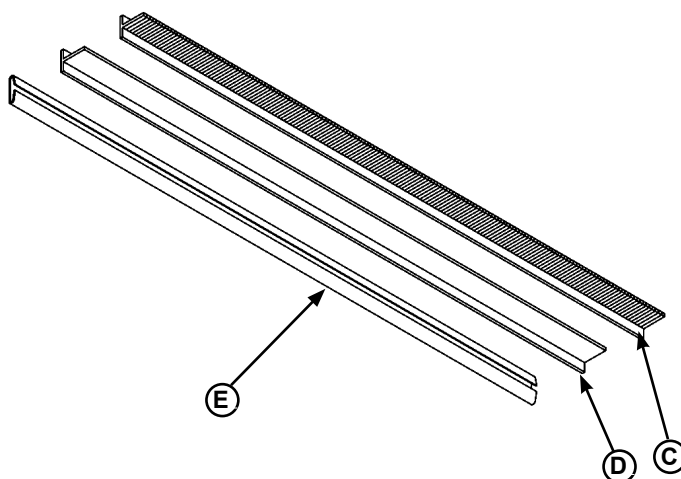
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2	1	DPLA-0338	LIP BANGER ASSY.
3	2	DPLA-0341	BAR
4	1	5775-0004	LIP LATCH ASSEMBLY
5	1	DOTH-2374	COTTER PIN
6	2	DOTH-2210	WASHER
7	1	DOTH-2351	BOLT/PIN
8	1	DOTH-2163	NUT, LOCK
9	1	DPLA-0360	BELOW DOCK CONTROL ASSY.
10	2	DOTH-2382	PIN, COTTER
11	1	DOTH-2074	BOLT, HEX 5/8-11 X 2.00
12	1	DOTH-2160	NUT, HEX 5/8-11
17	1	DPLA-0360	BDC PUSH ROD ASSY
18	1	DOTH-2060	BOLT SHOULDER
19	1	DOTH-2131	LOCK NUT 3/8-16
20	1	DLIP-0305	LIP ASSIST ROD ASSY. MA
23	1	DOTH-2550	SPRING ,LIP ASSIST STD 25K- 55K 6' 6.5' WD 16"
24	1	DOTH-2546	SPRING ,LIP ASSIST HEAVY 7'WD 18"-20" 25K-- 7'WD 18"-20:" 30K -55K
25	1	DOTP-2006	LIP PROP BAR
26	1	DOTH-2062	SHOULDER BOLT
27	1	DOTH-2131	LOCK NUT
28	2	DOTH-2214	WASHER
29	1	DOTH-2547	SPRING COMPRESSION
35		LIP SHAFTS	
	2	6.0 FOOT	DPLA-2101
	2	6.5 FOOT	DPLA-2102
	2	7.0 FOOT	DPLA-2103
36	2	DOTH-2355	PIN , CLEVIS
37	2	DOTH-2373	PIN, COTTER
39	2	2101-0079	WASHER, FLAT

38	LIPS						
		6.0 FOOT	25K	30K	35K	40/45K	55K
	1	16	0595-5300	0595-5309	0595-5318	0595-5327	0595-5336
	1	18	0595-5301	0595-5310	0595-5319	0595-5328	0595-5337
	1	20	0595-5302	0595-5311	0595-5320	0595-5329	0595-5338
		6.5 FOOT					
	1	16	0595-5303	0595-5312	0595-5321	0595-5330	0595-5339
	1	18	0595-5304	0595-5313	0595-5322	0595-5331	0595-5340
	1	20	0595-5305	0595-5314	0595-5323	0595-5332	0595-5341
		7.0 FOOT					
	1	16	0595-5306	0595-5315	0595-5324	0595-5333	0595-5342
	1	18	0595-5307	0595-5316	0595-5325	0595-5334	0595-5343
	1	20	0595-5308	0595-5317	0595-5326	0595-5335	0595-5344



## Toe Guard/Weather Seal—Optional

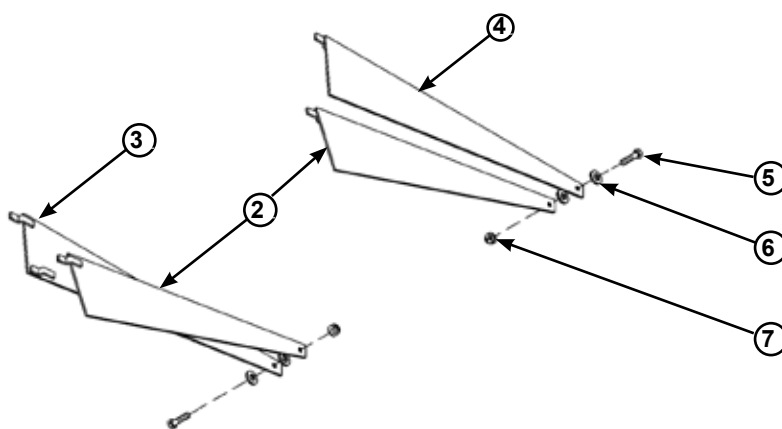


### Weather Seal Kits

Item	Quantity	Part Number	Description
A	1	DKIT-9293	Brush Kit Includes Seal and Track, 1-1/2 in. 82" Lg. (Both Sides)
B	1	DKIT-9292	Rubber Kit Includes Seal and Track, 1-1/2 in. 82" Lg. (Both Sides)

### Individual Replacement Seals

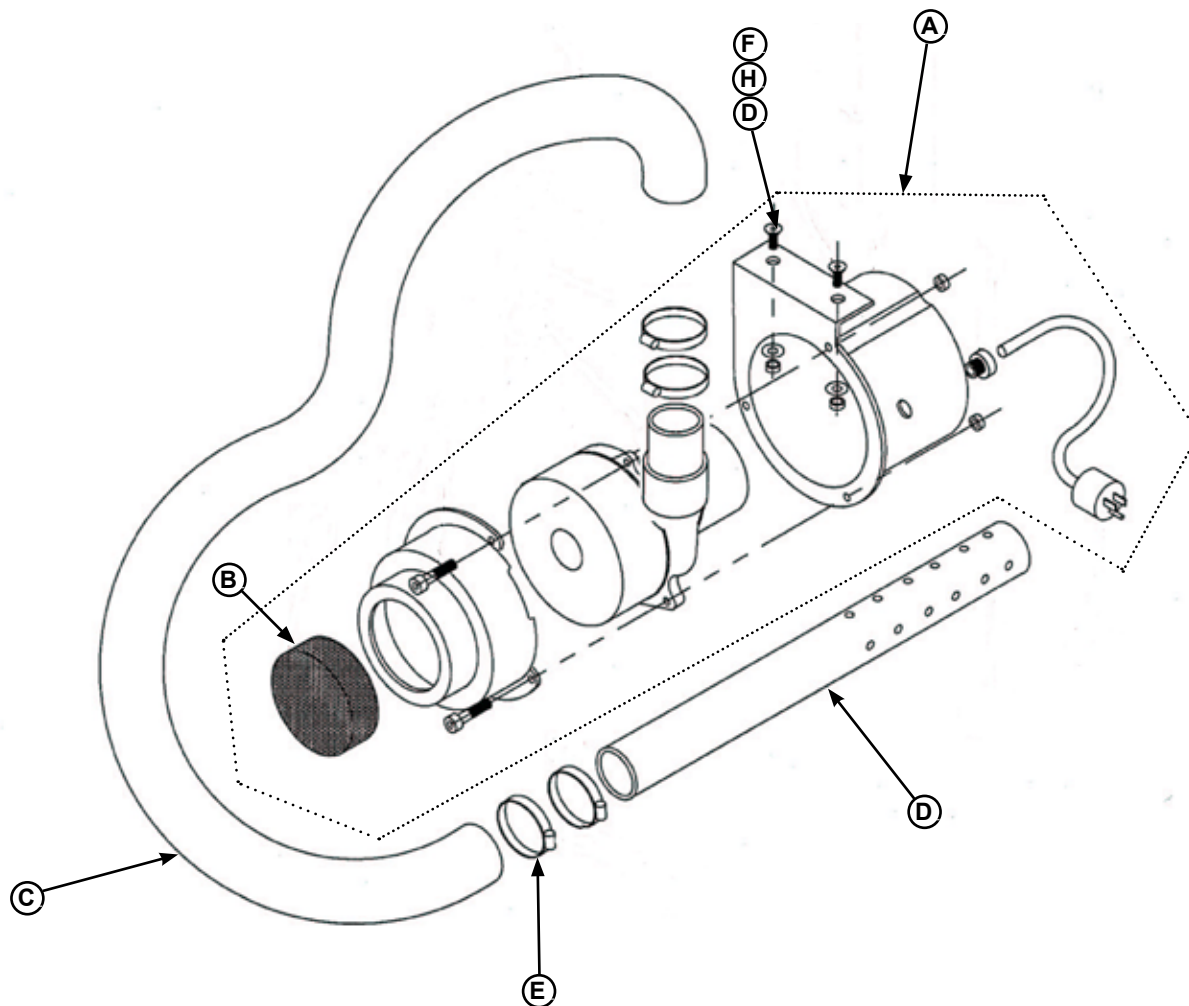
Item	Quantity	Part Number	Description
C	1	DOTH-2822	Brush Refill, 1-1/2 in. 82" Lg.
C	1	DOTH-2820	Extrusion, Aluminum
D	1	DOTH-2824	Rubber Refill, 1-1/2 in. 82" Lg.
E	1	DOTH-2818	Replacement "C" Channel



6 FOOT ( DKIT-9179)				8 FOOT (DKIT-9180)		10 FOOT (DKIT-9181)	
2	2	0011-0043	TOE GUARD LH, RH Lower	0014-0045	TOE GUARD LH,RH Lower	0014-0047	TOE GUARD LH, RH Lower
3	1	0014-0141	TOE GUARD RH Middle	0014-0144	TOE GUARD RH Middle	0014-0147	TOE GUARD RH Middle
4	1	0014-0142	TOE GUARD LH Middle	0014-0145	TOE GUARD LH Middle	0014-0148	TOE GUARD LH Middle
5	2	DOTH-2043	SCREW CAP		SAME		SAME
6	4	DOTH-2207	WASHER		SAME		SAME
7	2	DOTH-2131	LOCK NUT		SAME		SAME

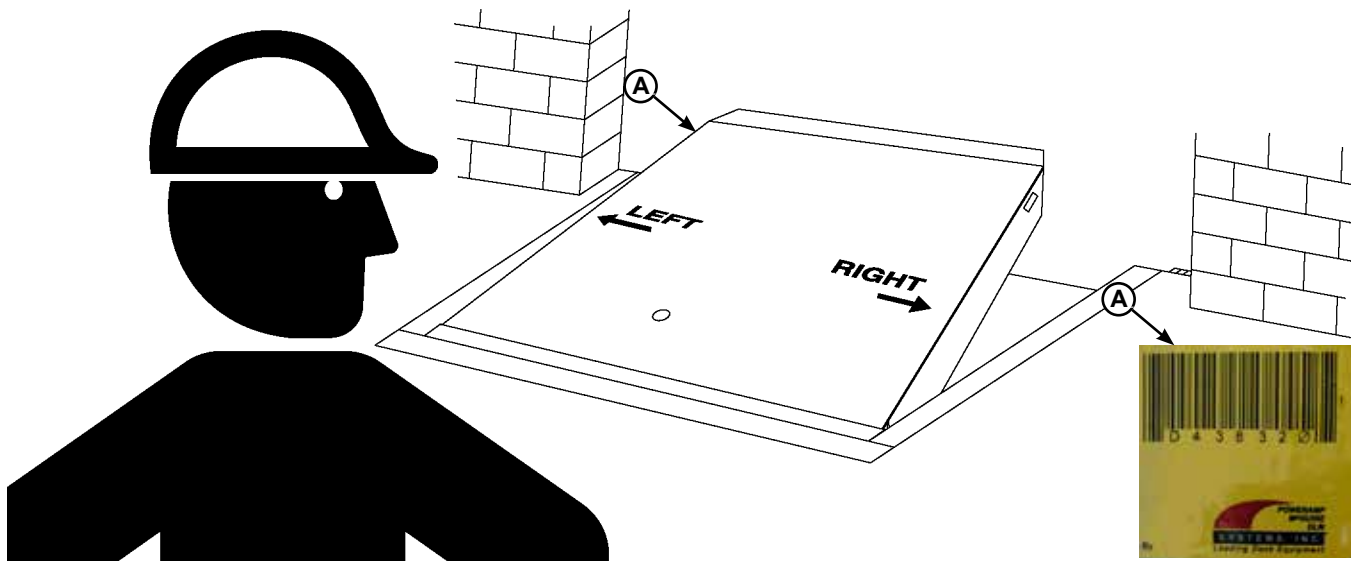
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## Motor and Blower Assembly



Item	Quantity	Part Number	Description
A	1	9395-0359	PPAC,Blower Assy
B	1	9391-0021	Filter Element (Included With 9395-0359)
C	1	9391-0022	Tube, 2" (50.8mm) OD, 36" (914.4mm) Length 6' and 8' Levelers
		9391-0041	Tube, 2" (50.8mm) OD, 46" (914.4mm) Length 10' levelers
D	1	9392-0047	Pipe, PVC, 1-1/2" SCH40 X 24" (38.1 X 609.6mm)
		9392-0068	Pipe, PVC, 1-1/2" SCH40 X 24" (38.1 X 609.6mm) With 90Deg Elbow
E	4	9391-0023	Clamp, Tube
F	2	2101-0143	Nut, Hex, Nylon Locking, 1/4-2
G	2	2101-0007	Screw, Cap, Hex, 1/4-2 X 1 LG
H	4	2101-0005	Washer, Flat 1/4"

## Customer Information



**NOTE:** Refer to illustration for left/right orientation of dock leveler.

The model/serial number decal (A) is located on the right platform joist near the front (lip) of dock leveler.

Air Bag serial number on left hand corner next to blower motor.



When you receive your MA-Series dock leveler, write down the dock leveler model and serial number in the form provided. This will help ensure safe keeping of the numbers in the event the model/serial number decal (A) becomes lost or damaged.

Also, write down McGuire's job number, the company that installed the dock leveler, and the original owner's name. This will all help to identify the specific dock leveler if more information is required.

When ordering, use part numbers and description to help identify the item ordered. Do not use "item" numbers. These are only for locating the position of the parts. Always give dock leveler MODEL NUMBER and/or SERIAL NUMBER.

For service, call or contact:

**McGUIRE**  
P.O. Box 309  
Germantown, WI 53022

Phone: (800) 624-8473  
Fax: (262) 255-5917  
E-mail: techservices@docksystemsinc.com

Dock Leveler Information	
Model	_____
Serial No.	_____
Systems, Inc., Job No.	_____
Original Owner Information	
Name	_____
Address	_____ _____
Installer Information	
Name	_____
Address	_____ _____
Date of Installation	_____

## **STANDARD PRODUCT WARRANTY**

SYSTEMS, INC. warrants that its products will be free from defects in design, materials and workmanship for a period of one (1) year from the date of shipment. All claims for breach of this warranty must be made within 30 days after the defect is or can with reasonable care, be detected. In no event shall any claim be made more than 30 days after this warranty has expired. In order to be entitled to the benefits of this warranty, the product must have been properly installed, maintained and operated in accordance with all manufacturer's recommendations and/or specified design parameters and not otherwise have been subject to abuse, misuse, misapplication, acts of nature, overloading, unauthorized repair or modification, application in a corrosive environment or lack of maintenance. Periodic lubrication, adjustment and inspection in accordance with all manufacturers' recommendations are the sole responsibility of the Owner/User.

In the event of a defect, as determined by SYSTEMS INC., covered by this warranty, SYSTEMS INC. shall remedy such defect by repairing or replacing any defective equipment or parts, bearing the cost for the parts, labor and transportation. This shall be exclusive remedy for all claims whether based on contract, negligence or strict liability.

## **WARRANTY LIMITATIONS**

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## **PRODUCT SPECIFIC WARRANTY "MA" SERIES LEVELER**

In addition to the "Standard Product Warranty" provided with all McGuire Products, guarantees materials, components and workmanship to be free of defects for the following extended periods:

- Structural Warranty – For a period of five (5) years from the date of shipment, product will carry a prorated structural warranty. This warranty specifically applies to; the deck section, lip section, frame, rear hinge assembly and front hinge assembly only. This warranty covers structural repairs to or replacement of dock leveler in McGuire sole discretion and expense including reasonable labor, materials, freight and travel. If McGuire determines replacement is necessary, it will provide the original purchaser with a credit toward the purchase of the new replacement McGuire product in the amount equal to the original purchase price of the warranted product F.O.B. point of manufacture, discounted on a ten year straight line basis by the number of years of use prior to replacement.
- Pneumatic Warranty – For a period of four (4) years from the expiration of the Standard Product Warranty, McGuire will provide replacement component parts from defective lifting system. This warranty specifically covers material and freight only and applies to; the air bladder, seals, hoses and motor assembly.